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Bengaluru Steel Bridge Project
SCRAPPED

Bengaluru, Mar. 2 (KMS& BCT)- The State Government's ambitious and controversy-ridden Steel Bridge project in Bengaluru has been scrapped. The Congress Government was all set to begin the 6.7 km steel bridge in the IT Capital between Basaveshwara Circle (near Raj Bhavan) and Hebbal flyover at an estimated cost of a whopping Rs. 1,761 crore. **The project had met severe opposition from green groups due to the environmental damage it would cause on a stretch that has thousands of trees.**

Bridge was to link Basaveshwara Circle and Hebbal flyover at an estimated cost of Rs. 1,761 crore

The bridge was to connect the Airport Road in Bengaluru's northern suburb and the busy National Highway 7 towards Hyderabad to ease the heavy traffic congestion.

Announcing the government decision in Bengaluru this morning, Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and Bengaluru Development Minister K. J. George said that the government has decided to shelve the project in the wake of severe opposition from the residents. "Steel flyover won't be constructed. The project has been cancelled," said George. Before announcing the decision, the Chief Minister was closeted in a meeting this morning with some of his trusted Cabinet colleagues and officials where the decision was taken.

Though the government has claimed that the Steel Bridge project was scrapped taking into account environmental damages, sources said that the recent revelations in the diary that reportedly belonged to Congress MLC K. Govindaraju had mentioned that Rs. 65 crore kickback was paid to sanction the project. **In the diary, the abbreviation of Bengaluru Development Minister K.J. George (KJG) was mentioned and he allegedly got Rs. 65 crore for his approval to the Steel Bridge project.**

The State Government had said that it promised the bridge ahead of winning the elections in 2013 and would not drop its plans. The government's opponents, however, said the Congress is pushing through the project to siphon off money ahead of the 2018 State elections - a charge the Congress denied.

The project was proposed in 2010 and was announced in 2014-15 Budget and Rs. 1,340 crore was allocated. The State Government later increased the allocation to Rs. 1,761 crore and the BJP claimed that the cost was escalated taking the bribe money into consideration. The State Cabinet, on September 28, 2016, awarded the project to L&T Ltd as it was the lowest bidder for the tender.

While the government was firm on the project, anti-corruption activists, urban planners, environmentalists, civic activists, architects, artists, political activists, public policy experts, and resident welfare associations united to protest under the banner 'Citizens Against Steel Flyover'. Residents have been holding large demonstrations against the bridge and the debate also raged online with **#steel bridge beku** (we want the steel bridge) taking on **#steel bridge beda** (we don't want the project).

Recently the National Green Tribunal, the country's highest environmental court, ordered the suspension of all plans for the steel bridge.

Return Rs. 65 crore bribe: MP

Reacting to the government's decision of scrapping the Steel Bridge project, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha told *Star of Mysore* this morning that just scrapping of the project was not enough. "The government has to return the Rs. 65 crore bribe that was paid to sanction the project and a CBI probe must be recommended into the diaries of MLCs K. Govindaraju (Congress) and Leher Singh (BJP) so that people will know the truth," he said.

Minister Roshan Baig holds MUDA review meet

Discusses R.T. Nagar, Ballahalli Layouts and Hale Unduvadi drinking water project

Urban Development Minister R. Roshan Baig is seen chairing a review meeting at MUDA this morning as MLA Vasu, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, MUDA Commissioner Dr. M. Mahesh and other officials look on.

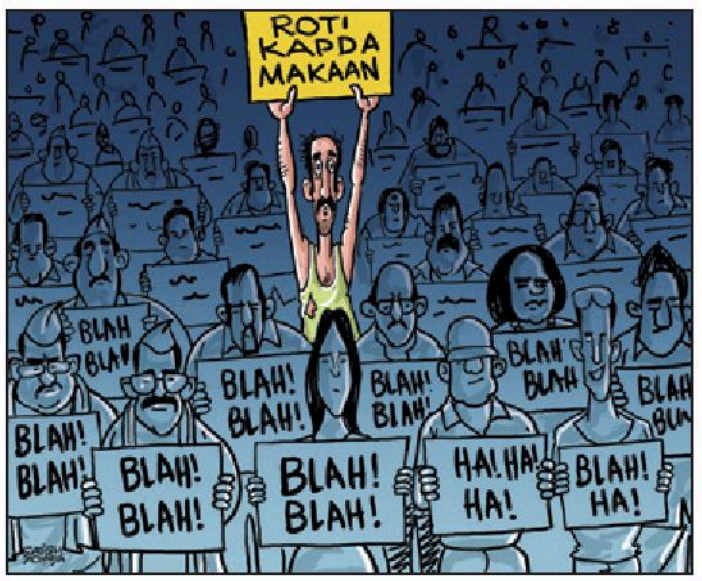
Mysuru, Mar. 2 (RK&VNS)- Karnataka Urban Development Minister R. Roshan Baig held a closed-door review meeting at the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) this morning.

The Minister discussed about the complications related to Ballahalli Layout and regarding a possible out-of-court settlement regarding legal complications related to R.T. Nagar Layout. The meeting also discussed about the proposed Swarna Jayanthi Nagar and Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Layout.

(See MUDA on page 9)

STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor-in-Chief: K.B. GANAPATHY B.A; B.L.

Mysuru, Thursday 2nd March 2017

Country's crisis ridden cities

Displaying boundless love for village life and finding oneself in no frame of mind to move out of one's favoured city is a game many people are seen playing with no signs of that mental dilly-dallying consciously finding a definite end. The dilemma reminds one of the Shakespeare soliloquies in his play *Hamlet* "To be, or not to be." In this context, a not-much-known event in the life of Mysuru's own venerated novelist *Chaduranga* (1916-1998), hardly referred to by his official name Subramanya Raje Urs, may be recalled. His long time literary cohort *Ta Ra Su* (1920-1984), the famed writer, having not seen Urs in the city (Mysuru) for quite a while, goes in search of him only to find him taking residence in a village, on getting disenchanted with city life. The story, as narrated by *Ta Ra Su* himself, ends in the denouement (concluding part) of his temporary villager finally returning to the city. If celebrities, particularly those known for their wise decision-making, are undecided in the matter of choosing between life in village or city, ordinary mortals sticking to city life doesn't need to be debated. They are stuck, for good or bad.

The glitz and glitter factor, apart from and in addition to greater scope for securing jobs, even as rustic life has become tough going, are causing exodus of more than six million village residents annually to cities across the country. Not only the number of cities in the land is steadily rising year-on-year, but also the number of villages is shrinking, unmindful of overcrowding of cities and depletion of agriculture workforce.

Glorification of cities globally based on select parameters with attractive adjectives such as *'largest', 'safest,' 'cleanest'* and so on, is old hat, given the pressures of and stresses in daily life of urbanites, including nearly 40 per cent of India's headcount of more than 1300 million taking residence in cities as well as towns and counting. A recent disclosure in the media that city 'A' in India has an amazing number of millionaires commanding a more amazing wealth, both assets as realty and cash in bank accounts, while city 'B' has only a fraction of that millionaire flock and their personal wealth, should bestir many wealth-chasing urbanites to try to emulate the urban elite.

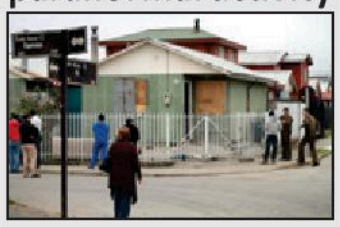
Having raised the issues bearing on life in cities as opposed to villages, showering adulation on urban spaces while deriding the rural space, depends on one's economic as well as social status in addition to outlook to both. A just-published report places Bengaluru poorly at No. 16 in a survey of 21 cities based on 83 parameters. Such reports don't seem to change the ongoing village-to-city exodus creating more crisis-ridden urban spaces in days ahead.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

You do not know what you've got until it's gone. Truth is, you knew what you had, you just never thought you'd lose it," goes a saying. A friend confided in me as to how she had taken for granted getting WhatsApp messages from her daughter every morning. One day, she got a call from her daughter informing of her health setback. My friend disclosed as to how she spent the tension fraught days, which turned into months. Likewise we see people taking their status quo situations for granted, little knowing when the scales might tip. When a person is either seen or relied upon too much he becomes indispensable and falls into the slippery zone of being taken for granted. Slowly his accomplishments seem routine but failures become highlighted. He becomes invisible in his presence but his absence is noticed. The best axiom is 'keep appreciating what you have, or else it may soon become what you had.' Things are maintained and people retained through constant nurture and acknowledgement. Try not taking them for granted, you will end up feeling happy and grateful each time. *— Sandhya Vasudev in The New Indian Express.*

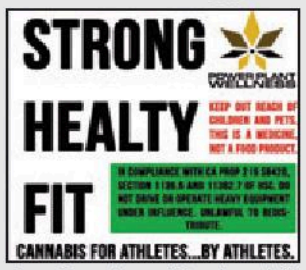
NEWS SPARKLERS

Police report paranormal activity



Santiago: A couple of days ago in a Chilean city, when Police investigating a domestic disturbance were allegedly attacked by mysterious forces. On Feb. 26, 2017, a group of Carabineros – Chilean Police force – were called to investigate a home in Puerto Montt, after the desperate owners complain that they were being terrorized by unnatural forces. When they arrived at the house, they noticed broken windows and a partially burned mattress in the yard. As soon as they saw the Police approaching they started telling them that there was strange paranormal activity inside the house. The Carabineros didn't believe them, but they quickly changed their mind once they went inside to investigate. Priests were called to the "haunted" house as well, but they failed to drive away the unwanted "guests". At around 2 a.m., the owners of the house were relocated to a social centre around 300 meters from their house, where they will remain until someone figures out how to make their home safe again.

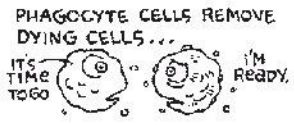
World's first cannabis gym



San Francisco: Weed and fitness apparently go well together, and the Power Plant Fitness gym, in San Francisco, wants to prove that once and for all by allowing clients to consume cannabis in various forms, while they work out. Power Plant Fitness advertises itself as the world's first cannabis-friendly gym. Co-founders Jim McAlpine and Ricky Williams claim that they are "focused on the athletic side, not the cannabis side," and that they want to tackle the stereotype that pot users are lazy. The new gym will use cannabis as a tool to improve members' concentration and speed up their post-workout recovery. Power Plant Fitness requires new members to undergo a "cannabis performance assessment" under the supervision of specialised staff to determine the best way of consumption for each individual. The company will also launch its own line of edibles for pre-workout focus and post-workout recovery, a press release mentions. The world's first cannabis gym will be open on May 2017.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

How fast do human cells die?



Your cells are constantly dying at an alarming rate: Just in the last 30 seconds, 50 million of your cells have died. That adds up to about 50 to 70 billion cells every day. Don't worry — there are plenty left over. The human body contains an estimated 37.2 trillion cells, give or take a few billion.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

National Science Day celebrated at CFTRI

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep is seen inaugurating National Science Day at CFTIR on Feb.28 as Col. O.P. Kapoor, former Head, FS&AQCL and Prof. Ram Rajasekaran, CFRTI Director, look on.

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (PM&VNS)- "The Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) has been contributing immensely to science by inventing new technologies which will help the future generation in food conservation," said Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep here recently.

He was speaking after inaugurating the National Science Day Celebrations-2017 and a colloquium on 'Current Food Safety and Regulatory Concerns' at CFTRI premises in city.

Stating that CFTRI was providing nutritious food to 360 malnourished children in the district, he said that the institute has to come out with various programmes to create awareness on the kind of food to be consumed as there was a rapid increase in the number of people suffering from obesity and other non-communicable diseases.

He urged the CFTRI to also organise programmes on creating a healthy society.

DC Randeep also stressed the need of CFTRI coming out with farmer-friendly initiatives and also work towards implementing the new technologies for the benefit of the society.

On the occasion, Col. O.P. Kapoor, former Head, FS&AQCL and Director of Central Food Laboratory, CSIR-CFTRI, was felicitated. CFRTI Director Prof. Ram Rajasekaran was present.

On Mar. 3 and 4, CFTRI will be conducting a National-level Conference on malnutrition.

Really...?

- ***Eucalyptus deglupta* is a tall tree, commonly known as the rainbow eucalyptus. It is the only Eucalyptus species found naturally in New Britain, New Guinea, Ceram, Sulawesi and Mindanao. The unique multi-coloured bark is the most distinctive feature of the tree. Patches of outer bark are shed annually at different times, showing a bright green inner bark. This then darkens and matures to give blue, purple, orange and then maroon tones.**

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Teacher: *Where are you from?*
Student: *Check in school info.*
Teacher: *Whom do you love most, mom or dad?*
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Teacher: *Stupid where is your heart?*
Student: *Ask your daughter!!*

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VOICE OF THE READER

Shifting of Gokulam 3rd Stage

Post Office inconveniencing elders

Sir,

Yesterday when I went to the V.V Mohalla Post Office with a Bank cheque to be credited to my PPF account, there I was asked to send it through the Post Office Savings Bank account.

This rule has put people who do not have PO savings account into difficulty. They have shifted the Gokulam 3rd stage Post Office unmindful to Yadavagiri thus causing lot of inconvenience to people, particularly the elderly citizens.

This PO was serving usefully for the past several years. I have represented this matter to the Superintendent of Post Offices in Mysuru some months ago but of no avail.

The only reason they give is that they do not get a place in Gokulam 3rd stage for rent. It sounds strange that when a fairly big plot earmarked for Post Office is lying vacant here no attempt is made to put up even a small structure there.

They can also explore the possibility of opening the office in the MUDA complex in this extension which is also unoccupied next to *MysoreOne* office.

—An aggrieved senior citizen

Gokulam 3rd Stage

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RTE: Govt. to hike fees paid to schools

Bengaluru, Mar. 2- Law Minister T.B. Jayachandra yesterday said that the tuition fee for seats under Right to Education (RTE) Act in private unaided schools will be hiked from the academic year 2017-18. Reimbursement for primary classes has been increased to Rs. 16,000 from Rs. 11,000 per child per year. For nursery classes, the refund would go up to Rs. 8,000 from Rs. 5,924 per child per year.

The increase in the amount of tuition fee reimbursed to private schools follows a Court order and appeal by educational institutions, he said and added that the hike will be an additional burden of Rs. 425 crore for the State exchequer. The Minister further said that the Cabinet discussed at length the implications of RTE Act on Govt. schools.

Some Cabinet members suggested introduction of teaching english language in Government schools, he pointed out and added that Chief Minister Siddharamaiah has directed Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait to submit a report on the ways to make Govt. schools more sought after.

The RTE Act came into effect on Apr. 1, 2012 and since then reimbursement has not been revised while the law provides for annual increase.

Classical Kannada Centre stays in Mysuru

To be housed temporarily in Mysore University campus

Mysuru, Mar. 2- The issue over shifting the Centre of Excellence for Studies in Classical Kannada from Central Institute of Indian Languages (CIIL) in Mysuru to Bengaluru has ended with the Centre being retained in Mysuru by CIIL authorities.

Announcing this during the inauguration of the two-day 'Visioning Workshop and Project Preparation' at CIIL here recently, CIIL Director Prof. D.G. Rao said "The Centre will be retained in Mysuru and will be temporarily housed in Mysore University campus."

Prof. Rao said that at the Planning and Monitoring Division meeting recently, it was unanimously decided to retain the Classical Kannada Centre in Mysuru. "The Mysore University has given a temporary building for the Centre to start its activities. When the land is allotted and a separate building is constructed, the Centre will be shifted to the new premises and will work with an autonomous status," Prof. Rao added.

Speaking about the status of other language centres in India, Prof. Rao said that the Kannada Classical Language Centre was the second centre which was established after the Tamil Centre and added that the Telugu Centre was allotted when Andhra Pradesh was not divided.

"As the State has been divided into Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, the Ministry of HRD would decide where the Centre would be established," he said.

He suggested the authorities to invite experts of Kannada language to chalk out a plan to be explained before the Ministry and added that funds could be allotted in the budget.

Workshop on 'LabVIEW Core 1 & 2' held

Mysuru, Mar. 2- The Department of Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering, GSSSIETW, had organised a five-day Inter-Department Workshop on 'LabVIEW Core 1 & 2' by National Instruments for the students of IT/EC/EEE/TC recently under Instrument Society of India (ISOI) Student Chapter.

The resource person for this programme was K.R. Kotresh, Senior Applications Engineer, VI Solutions, Bengaluru. He explained about the importance of LabVIEW tool and significance of certification exams (CLAD) from National Instruments. Technical details of LabVIEW tool was demonstrated with few examples of Graphical system design using NI's LabVIEW. Kotresh provided hands-on training for building-shift register, 1D and 2D arrays, Case structures and EVENT structures. Dr. M. Shivakumar,HoD,felicitatedthetrainer.

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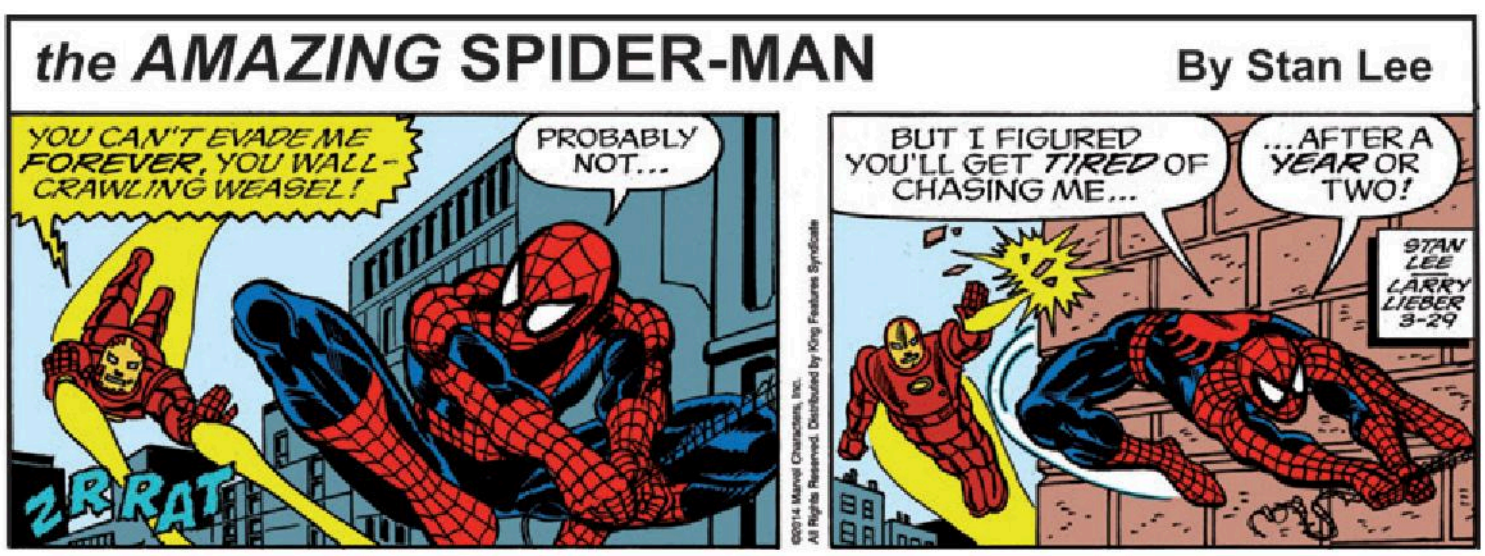
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NEWS BRIEFS

Inauguration

Rotary West & Parents' Association of Deaf Children Trust, Janathanagar 2nd stage, Bogadi, has organised a function to celebrate its 36th anniversary and inauguration of newly-constructed Class rooms (MPLADS) at its Ramabai Memorial Auditorium on Mar. 3 (Friday) at 10.30 am. MP Pratap Simha will inaugurate the building. Industrialist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy and MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha will be the chief guests. Association President B. Lohia will preside.

Discourse

Mysuru Yoga Okkuta, K.R. Mohalla, has organised a discourse on 'Importance of Yoga Teachers/Gurus in Society and Responsibilities of Disciples' by Sanskrit Vidwan and Yogacharya Dr. K. L. Shankaranarayana Jois at Gopala Swamy Shishuvihara and College, Nanjumalige Circle, Mysuru on Mar. 5 at 5 pm. For details, contact Mob: 99456-23146.

Art of Living

Vyakti Vikas Kendra, Mysuru, has organised Sri Ravi Shankar Guruji's Art of Living Happiness programme at Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Ashram, Next to JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura Road, Mysuru, from Mar. 7 to 11 in three batches — 6 am to 8.30 am, 11 am to 1.30 pm and 6 pm to 8.30 pm. For details, contact Mob: 99451-61303 or 98457-23350.

Musical event

A musical programme has been organised in memory of V. Krishnamurthy at JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, on Mar. 12 at 11 am. Pt. Rajeev Taranath on Sarod and Udayaraj Karpoor on tabla will perform. Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion.

Office-bearers

Following are the new office-bearers of Sri Kulala Gunda Brahmarya Kumbarara Sangha, D. Banumaiah Road, Mysuru: K.T. Ramesh - President; Chandru - Vice-President; M.N. Nagaraju - Working President; Ramu - General Secretary; Ravi - Jt. Secretary; S. Lingeshwar - Treasurer; Krishnamurthy and Somashekar - Organising Secretaries. Executive Committee Members are: Sanna Shetty, G. Mahadevu, Krishna, Venkatesh, Siddaraju, A. Venkatesh and Chandrashekar.

Excels in Maths

Unnati Academy and Putani Vignana had recently conducted exams on Computer Literacy and Excellence in Mathematics in which children of Mary School, Tilak Nagar, have secured first class and also first rank for excellence in Mathematics at State-level. They are: Madhuri - I Rank in State-level; Aiman Shifa and Mukan - I Rank in District-level; S. Keerthi, Ayesha, Neha, Shifa and Meza - I Rank in Taluk-level.

Bandipur Forest Fire

Injured staff discharged from hospital

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (MTY&KS)- Three Forest Staffers including a Range Forest Officer (RFO), who suffered burn injuries while trying to extinguish fire that had broke out at Bandipur recently and were admitted to a private hospital in city for treatment on Feb. 19, have been discharged from the hospital on Feb. 27.

The forest staff, who were discharged, are RFO Gangadhar, Fire Watchers Manu and Manju.

It may be recalled that on Feb. 18, fire broke out at six places in Kalkere forest range in Bandipur Reserve following which RFO Gangadhar, Guard Murugesh alias Murigeppa Thammangol, Fire Watchers Manu and Manju rushed to the spot to extinguish the fire. While they were involved in extinguishing the fire, thick smoke engulfed them making them difficult to breathe resulting in Guard Murugesh falling unconscious. Soon, fire engulfed Murugesh resulting in him being charred to death and other three suffering serious burn injuries and falling unconscious on Tiger route in the forest. They were immediately taken to a hospital in Sargur, where they were treated and were shifted to Apollo BGS Hospital in Mysuru for further treatment on Feb. 19. After the three were successfully treated, they were discharged from the hospital on Feb. 27 afternoon.

Meanwhile, Bandipur Project Tiger Director T. Heeralal said that the three staffers have been instructed to take rest till they completely recover and added that the fire at Bandipur has been extinguished completely. He said that the forest could recover if it rains and thanked the public and various organisations for lending a helping hand by providing drinking water, food, fruits and other materials which instilled confidence among the staff resulting in them working continuously to bring the situation under control.

Pregnant lady dies as car veers off the road

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (RK&KS)- In a tragic incident, a pregnant lady died after the car in which she was travelling along with her husband, veered off the road on the Outer Ring Road near Manasi Nagar here yesterday afternoon.

The unfortunate victim of the tragedy has been identified as Roopa (37), wife of Madhusudhan, a resident of Raghavendranagar in city.

It is reported that Madhusudhan, along with his wife Roopa and her sister Rekha had been to a bank and after finishing their work, Madhusudhan and Roopa, dropped Rekha to the Beauty Parlour which she was running and proceeded to Manasi Nagar to see a site for Rekha.

Madhusudhan told *SOM* that after seeing the site, he and his wife were returning home on the Ring Road and took a 'U' turn to join the service road. As there was a vehicle coming from the opposite direction, Madhusudhan said that he moved the car to his left and the left side wheel of the car went into a ditch and car fell off the service road about 8 to 10 ft. below, resulting in his pregnant wife going for a shock falling unconscious.

Soon, passersby, who saw the incident, rushed to the couple's rescue and a school van, which was passing by, shifted the couple to Columbia Asia Hospital, where Roopa was declared brought dead and Madhusudhan was treated for injuries.

Meanwhile, post-mortem was conducted at MMC&RI mortuary and the body was handed over to Roopa's relatives this morning.

Siddarthanagar Traffic Police conducted mahazar and have registered a case in this regard.

Depressed security guard attempts suicide

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (YDS&KS)- A security guard, who was depressed over being made to run about for his job, allegedly attempted suicide at Vidyaashram College premises in Jayalakshmipuram here yesterday.

The security guard, who attempted suicide by pouring petrol on himself and setting fire, has been identified as 55-year-old Shivanna, a native of Holenarasipur in Hassan district. It is reported that Shivanna was appointed as the security guard at the girls hostel in Vijayanagar 1st Stage which is run by the College about six months back. But about two months ago, the management is said to have told Shivanna to stop working at the hostel with an assurance of providing him a job in the college.

Shivanna, who went to the college for two days, was allegedly not allotted the job. With no job either in the hostel or the college, Shivanna who became depressed, doused himself with petrol and set himself ablaze in front of the security guard chamber in the college yesterday morning.

Meanwhile, other security guards and students, who saw the incident, rushed to Shivanna's rescue, doused the fire and immediately shifted him to Brindavan Hospital for treatment.

Though Shivanna is out of danger, he has suffered severe burns on his back.

Jayalakshmipuram Police have registered a case in this regard and are investigating.

H1N1: Two die in Nanjangud, K.R. Pet, 3 admitted to hospital in Mysuru

Nanjangud, Mar. 2 (Ravi&KS)- H1N1 (Swine Flu) has claimed the life of a pregnant woman in Nanjangud and other woman in K.R. Pet, while three others have been admitted for treatment at a private hospital in Mysuru.

The deceased women, have been identified as Roopadevi (33), wife of Gajendra and a resident of Thorevalli village near here, who was five months pregnant and Suma (28) of Katharaghatta village, K.R. Pet taluk in Mandya district.

The three persons, who are undergoing treatment in Mysuru are 50-year-old H.B. Srikanth, resident of KHB Colony in Nanjangud, 46-year-old Poornima, a resident of TVS Nagar and 85-year-old T.V. Madappa of Tagadur.

Suma, who was suffering from high fever and secere cough since 15 days, was admitted to JSS Hospital, where she breathed her last after failing to respond to the treatment. Taluk Health Officer Dr. Aravind visited Katharaghatta village.

Confirming the outbreak of H1N1 in Nanjangud taluk, Taluk Health Officer (THO) Dr. Kalavathi called upon the public suffering from severe throat pain, cold, cough, body pain and difficulty in breathing to immediately visit the hospital and get themselves treated.

Stating that there is enough stock of medicines, she urged the public to make use of the facility and added that ASHA activists were carrying out awareness programmes in this regard.

Ex-Dy. Mayor T. Devaraj passes away

Mysuru, Mar.2- Former Deputy Mayor **T. Devaraj** (59) passed away at a private hospital here last night following heart attack.

A resident of Brindavan Extension, he leaves behind his wife Sukanya, a daughter, 3 sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Devaraj was elected as a Corporator for 3 terms and had served as Deputy Mayor of the city once. He was also the Treasurer of Mysuru-Chamarajanagar Arya Idigara Sangha.

A philanthophist, Devaraj was making preparations for mass marriage that was organised by the Sangha on Mar.23.

Last rites were performed at the burial ground on Jodi Tenginamara Road in Bannimantap this afternoon.

Obituary

Ahmed Mumtaz Khan

Mysuru, Mar.2- Ahmed Mumtaz Ahmed Khan (87), former Director, The Muslim Co-operative Bank Ltd. and a resident of St Mary's Road, N.R. Mohalla, passed away this morning at his residence.

He is survived by wife, a son and two daughters and a host of friends and relatives. Namaz-e-Janaza will be offered at 5 pm today at Masjid-e-Rabbani, N.R. Mohalla, followed by funeral at Old Khabrasthan, behind Central Jail, Pulikeshi Road Cross.

Jowhar Fathima

Jowhar Fathima (76), wife of late Advocate Khaleel Khan and a resident of Tilak Nagar, passed away yesterday evening after a brief illness. She is survived by three daughters and two sons (Bike Racer Baban Khan is the elder son) and a host of friends and relatives.

Namaz-e-Janaza was offered this morning at Masjid-e-Meraj, Subhash Nagar, followed by funeral at Old Khabrasthan, behind Central Prison.

G. Raju

Mandya, Mar. 2- G. Raju (65), son of Guruvegowda and a resident of Guttalu in Mandya, passed away this morning.

The Dharmadarshi of Gurumurthamma Temple Development Board, Hannur, Raju leaves behind wife Sowbhagyamma, two sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites at Mandya today at 4 pm.

People will bring back JD(S) to power, says Deve Gowda

Digvijay Singh - Deve Gowda meet

A brief coincidental meeting took place between AICC General Secretary Digvijay Singh and former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda at the Government Guest House in Mysuru yesterday.

As Deve Gowda was interacting with the media after attending the marriage of former Vice-Chancellor of University of Mysore Prof. K.S. Rangappa's son, Digvijay Singh, who was in Mysuru on a vacation, walked in to greet the former PM. Digvijay Singh had earlier stayed at Bandipur National Park for over 3 days. After brief exchange of pleasantries, Singh departed.

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (PM&BCT)- Former Prime Minister and Janata Dal (S) supremo H.D. Deve Gowda, exuding confidence of his party returning to power in Karnataka, urged party workers to forget the past and work hard for strengthening the party. "I have travelled far and wide in Karnataka and people have told me that this time, JD(S) will come to power on its own and people are fed up with the BJP and Congress rule," he said.

The former Prime Minister was in the city yesterday to take part in the marriage ceremony of former Vice-Chancellor of University of Mysore, Prof. K.S. Rangappa's son.

He addressed the media and a few party workers at the Government Guest House. Deve Gowda said that many people have told him that JD(S) will be supported to win in the next Assembly elections. "They said that they were tired of national parties and want to give a chance to a regional party," he added.

He appealed to the workers to rejuvenate themselves to work for the success of the party and said he considered JD(S) as a party belonging to all sections of society and not confined to any particular caste, group or community.

"People have seen the rule of the Congress and the BJP and both the party have plundered the State and their scandals are there all over the media," the ex-PM said.

Alleging that efforts were being made to destroy the JD(S) in the State, he challenged his political opponents and said "the design to decimate my party will not succeed." He accused the Congress and BJP of pushing the State to brink of bankruptcy with their maladministration.

Denying reports that he insulted rebel MLA Cheluvarayaswamy, Deve Gowda said that disrespecting someone was not his culture. "Politics is different and personal behaviour is different," he said. The party is in the process of identifying candidates to fill the posts of rebel MLAs, he added.

Referring to the by-elections for Nanjangud and Gundlupet, he said that State JD(S) President H.D. Kumaraswamy was touring the two constituencies and he will decide on the candidates after considering the opinions from the party workers.

Government to issue

appointment orders to 2011 batch gazetted probationers

Bengaluru, Mar. 2 (KMS&DM)- Taking a U-turn on its earlier decision to scrap the entire list of 362 gazetted probationers of the 2011 batch, the State Cabinet yesterday accepted the Karnataka Administrative Tribunal (KAT) order on the recruitment of the probationers.

The Cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Siddharamaiah decided to accept the Oct. 2016 order of KAT and not to appeal against it.

Speaking to press persons after the meeting, Law Minister T.B. Jayachandra said the KAT has rejected all the charges made by the CID in its report on the alleged irregularities in the recruitment by Karnataka Public Service Commission (KPSC). The Cabinet has accepted the order in the interest of administration, he said and added that the Government will go ahead with the implementation of the Hota Committee report to bring in reforms in KPSC.

KIADB lands: Continuing, Jayachandra said in an effort to woo investors, the Government has decided to allow allotment of KIADB lands on lease-cum-sale basis for single unit complexes, affordable housing projects and projects undertaken by PSUs.

Pointing out that currently, land is allotted only on 99 years lease to all industrial projects, the Minister said the Government will soon amend Karnataka Industrial Policy (2014-19), to allow allotment of lands under lease-cum-sale basis. The decision will have retrospective effect from Aug.2014 when the 99-year lease rules come into effect, he added.

Health policy: Stating that the

T.B. Jayachandra

Cabinet has approved a proposal to frame a new health policy for the State, he said the Health and Family Welfare Department will draft the policy based on the millennium development and sustainable goals, which envisages use of technology in public health care delivery.

The Cabinet also decided to take up construction of court complexes and residential quarters for judicial employees in various parts of the State at a cost of Rs. 1011.07 crore.

The other Cabinet decisions taken include direct recruitment of 1,900 Assistant Engineers and Junior Engineers by Water Resources Department, allotment of G-category site to Banjara Lambani Samaja at Davanagere and direct purchase of 353 acres of land for setting up RDPR (Rural Development and Panchayat Raj) University in Gadag district.

'Gift' for poll bound N'gud

The Cabinet has approved a Rs.45 crore project to fill up 25 lakes using Kabini river water in Nanjangud taluk of Mysuru district. The project is seen as an effort by the ruling Congress to woo the electorate ahead of the by-election to Nanjangud Assembly constituency. The Election Commission is yet to announce the by-election date.

Vatal Nagaraj calls

Karnataka Bandh on April 7

Bengaluru, Mar. 2- Accusing the Union Government of displaying a step-motherly attitude against the State with regard to water disputes, Kannada Chaluvali leader Vatal Nagaraj has called for Karnataka Bandh on April 7.

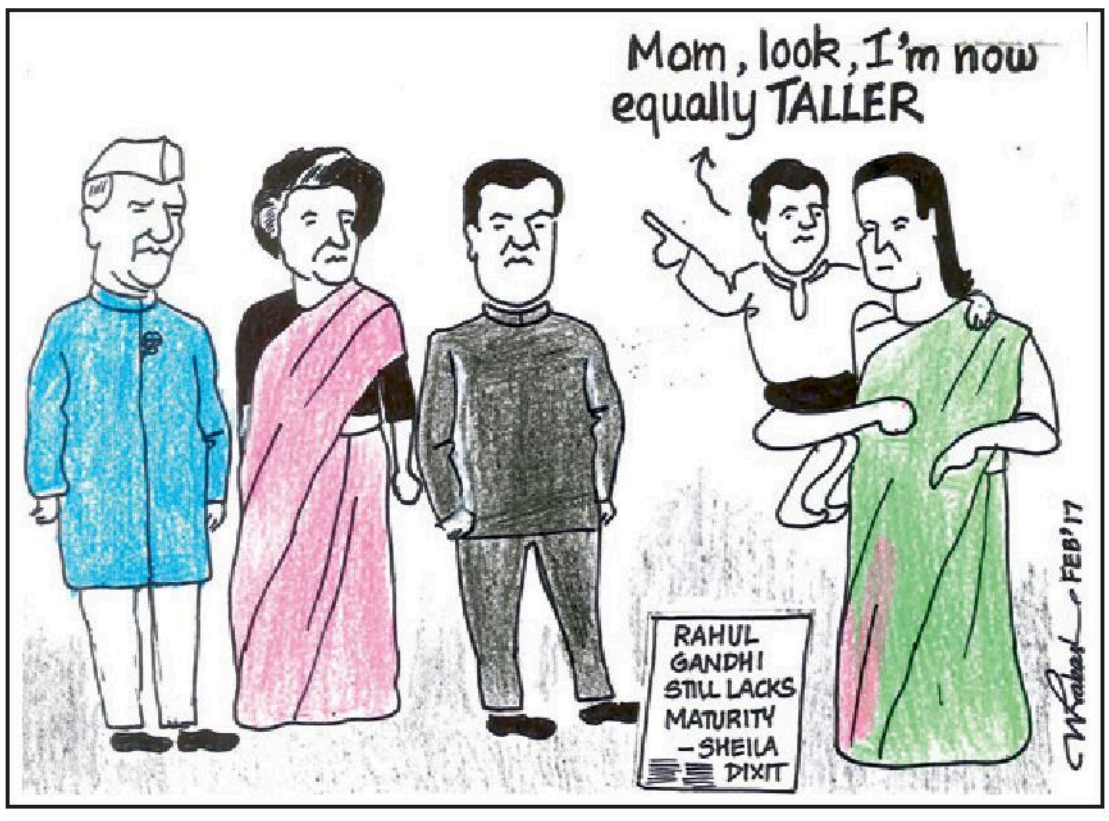
Speaking to press persons here yesterday, Vatal Nagaraj alleged that the Centre was not responding to the State's water woes and irrigation projects.

The bandh has been called to press for the intervention of Prime Minister Narendra Modi for ending inter-State water disputes involving Karnataka, he said and added that a rally will be taken out from the Town Hall to Freedom Park in Bengaluru at 10 am on April 7.

He further said that the DC offices at all districts will be picketed to mark the bandh

TEASER

By N. Prakash



Decoding Mythology

Dr. Devdutt Pattanaik - Author, Speaker, Illustrator, Mythologist

So many mothers, and tongues

The devas were threatened, as usual, by the rise of yet another asura. This time it was Taraka, and he was exceptionally powerful. He had declared that only a six-day-old child could kill him. The devas wondered who could father such a powerful child and they concluded it could only be Shiva, the great ascetic, the one who had withdrawn all his senses, and was completely withdrawn from worldly life.

Since Shiva did not engage with anything in this world, all his energy was contained within his body. In Tantrik versions, which are not very coy, specific reference is made to his semen. Never been spilt, empowered by eons of meditations and contemplation, it was full of potent occult energy. A child born of such energy would surely be a superman: he would be fully developed at the time of birth, fully capable of going to battle shortly thereafter.

In edited versions, Shiva gives his seed to the devas. But in unedited versions, the devas sent Kama, the god of desire, to arouse Shiva into spilling his semen. Shiva is not amused and so burns Kama to death with a glance by opening his fiery third eye. The gods then beg the Goddess to help them and she takes the form of Parvati, daughter of the mountains, and she impresses Shiva by her own ascetic practices and secures a boon from him to marry her. But though he makes love to her, he does not spill semen. Frustrated, the gods finally beg Shiva to help them out. And Shiva, momentarily distracted, lets a drop of his bodily fluid fall into fire.

But that drop is so fiery that Agni, the fire-god, gets burned and begs Vayu, the wind-god, to take hold of it. Even Wind cannot calm it down. So Vayu drops it in Ganga, the river. The river boils and the reeds on the riverbank catch fire. When the fire subsides, from the ashes emerge six children who are nursed by the Krittikas, the six stars of the Pleiades constellation.

Finally, Parvati arrives to claim Shiva's child. She hugs the six children and they become one. This child, of multiple mothers, leads the deva army against Taraka and kills him, earning the adoration of

the devas who declare him celestial commander and warlord.

He is called Kartikeya, the child nursed by the Krittikas. He has other names such as Skanda, Guha, Shanmukha, Murugan, Kumara, Saravarna, Gangeya, reminding all of his many mothers: two devas (male gods incidentally), a river-goddess, a goddess of the reed (Sara), forest (vana), six stars, and a mountain princess.

Whenever people ask me what my mother tongue is, I always tell them the story of Kartikeya's many mothers. In India, we have many mother tongues: one from our mother, several from the mother land: some connect us with our roots, some help build relations with neighbours, some get us good international jobs. All mothers are good and wonderful and delightful. The petty create a hierarchy between them.

This multiple mother tongue approach is what a diverse country like India needs. It celebrates our plurality. Obsession with one language, be it Hindi or Sanskrit or a State language or English, reveals a lack of imagination and a contracted crumpled lazy mind that is not large enough to include and enjoy many.

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AUTOMATION
A boon or a bane?

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I was deeply disturbed by a recent article wherein it was said that about

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1.5 million professionals working in the three verticals of Telecom, IT and Banking would become redundant in the coming years. Yes, you heard me right. It is not Donald Trump who is doing this but our own companies are resorting to this to reduce cost and increase profits.

Imagine, what will happen to the hundreds of engineering colleges who churn out engineers by thousands year by year? Only the fittest of the student group will survive and the rest will be left high and dry. Do not be surprised to see an engineering student applying for a post of constable or even a security guard in the coming years! **Most of the companies are investing heavily in "automation" to reduce their work-force and increase profits.** A recent report has suggested that all the major IT companies are resorting to cartelisation to ensure that the entry level payment is kept low !

Have you ever wondered why is that in a country where jobs are scarce, these companies have an attrition level of nearly 16 to 18 percent year by year? The reason is simple: lack of job satisfaction, poor pay or the insecurity which makes these employees look for green pastures whenever possible. I am a regular viewer of the business channels. Most of the times you see CEOs boasting about their companies giving a return of more than 25 percent quarter by quarter! Is profit the only yardstick to judge a company's performance ?

It is true that the companies are answerable to the shareholders who demand reasonable profits and returns but the recent trend indicates that **the companies are increasing profits nowadays not by increasing their turnover but by reducing the cost of operations, layoffs, retrenchment, etc.** That is the reason that in spite of all the jokes going around in social circles regarding government services, the government jobs are still the coveted ones in our *Mahaan Bharat*. Even till date, the highest bid of dowry is for an IAS Officer !

So a pertinent question? Is it necessary to go in for wholesale automation in a country with such a huge young unemployed population or a balance maintained in such a way that both benefit. A point to ponder. Automation has come a long way even in our own hospitality industry. It has definitely made the tech-savvy guests happy and for others added to the confusion — remote controlled curtains, western commodes and bathroom operations... list is endless.

In the seventies, everything from peeling of potatoes to shelling of peas was done manually. Nowadays all these are done by machines reducing the cost of manpower in the kitchens. Recently I was intrigued by an advertisement of a company which has invented a chair which automatically gets arranged in a line just with a signal of a clap ! Thank god, the hospitality industry cannot be completely automatised since it deals with humans and as such one cannot have a single solution to all the problems. **Robots cannot replace cooks in the kitchen and cannot replace the greeting with a smile as even today "smile" is considered the most important aspect of this industry.**

However, "online booking," a recent phenomena has shot up considerably due to automation. Secondly automation is expensive and can be afforded only by top hotels and restaurants and not by the majority of smaller joints, the life line of the public.

As per Saurabh Mukherjee of Ambit Capital, the combined industry of Software, Telecom and Banking have about 6 million jobs. Till date job losses were only affecting the blue-collared industry but the recent news of consolidation in the Telecom industry caused by the tsunami of Reliance Jio will actually mean a loss of nearly 1 million jobs in Telecom industry alone! The new game of consolidation, Vodafone with Idea, Bharti with Telenor, have been created with the sole purpose of warding off the competition of Jio. No doubt it helps the customers with low prices but at what cost? Loss of jobs to thousands ?

Nearly 12 million graduates are churned out year by year. Are they employable? Hardly one tenth of them have the skill set to directly get employment. Our education system managed by mule-headed educationists are slow to react and change their curriculum to suit the industry. The Government of India, of course, is taking lot of initiative to train the work-force but lack of coordination between the Central and State governments is also hampering this work. Politics, of course, is the bane our country. With the automation on the horizon even for software industries, heavy retrenchment will be the order of the day unless the workers themselves agree for 're-skilling' to stay relevant in this present world.

A recent report has indicated that from July to September this year, there has been a lay off of about 16,000 workers in BPO industry alone. NASSCOM, the industry body has taken the initiative to re-skill the employees in about 20 companies to ensure they possess the necessary skills to be relevant.

To conclude, is it possible to stop this automation? If one wants to be relevant in this fast-paced world, one cannot stop automation. But a balance has to be struck to ensure that men are not completely replaced by machines, even if it means a small reduction of profits. The sooner the educational institutions also change their mindset the better it is for the young. It is also time the Workers Unions accept the reality of the times and agree for re-skilling offered by the managements.

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KRS REALITY CHECK - 2

Enhancing Garden Aesthetics

312-ft statue of Goddess Cauvery to be main attraction

By S.T. Ravikumar

The Brindavan Gardens at the Krishna Raja Sagar Dam will get a complete makeover with boating pond, children's park, Maharaja mantap, penguin park and doll museum. *[Pic. by M.N. Lakshminarayana Yadav]*

(Continued from Feb. 28)

Mysuru, Mar. 2- Very soon, the Brindavan Gardens at the Krishna Raja Sagar (KRS) Dam will attract thousands of tourists every day as it will be converted into a major tourist attraction, enhancing its aesthetic appeal. By further beautifying the garden, the State Government is hoping to double or treble the number of tourists.

On an average, over 10,000 tourists visit the KRS daily and the numbers see an increase during Dasara and peak tourism season. Once the beautification project is completed, the government is hoping to attract over 30,000 to 50,000 tourists per day.

The Cauvery Neeravari Nigama (CNN) Limited had asked Jaipur-based Sincere Architects and Engineers Private Limited to prepare a Detailed Project Report (DPR) on the beautification of Brindavan Gardens. Accordingly, the company prepared the DPR and it has been sent to the State Government for approval. **The total project cost is Rs. 1,300 crore.**

As per the DPR, the 69.82 acres land coming under Cauvery Neeravari Nigam Limited and 104 acres coming under Horticulture Department at the KRS will see a complete makeover. The DPR mentions that a 312-ft statue of Goddess Cauvery (River Cauvery is the water source for KRS) will be constructed with a base of 120 ft. Staircases will be built on the base so that tourists can climb the structure to see the statue from close range. They can also witness the scenic beauty of the place from that height.

Other works to be taken up as per the DPR are a statue of Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar, who was instrumental in building the KRS Dam, a wide and attractive fountain, a boating pond, children's park, Maharaja mantap, penguin park, doll museum, laser and light show, street park on the lines of Hoysala architecture, food court, architecture depicting historical monuments, botanical garden, aroma park, arch entry gates at the south and north entrance to the dam and a bonsai garden.

Along with international-level beautification works, the dam will have all the basic facilities including administrative office, ticket selling counters, waiting lounge for tourists, system control room, operating and technical staff quarters, art gallery in front of the garden, water sports, multi-level parking health and fitness centre and security outposts.

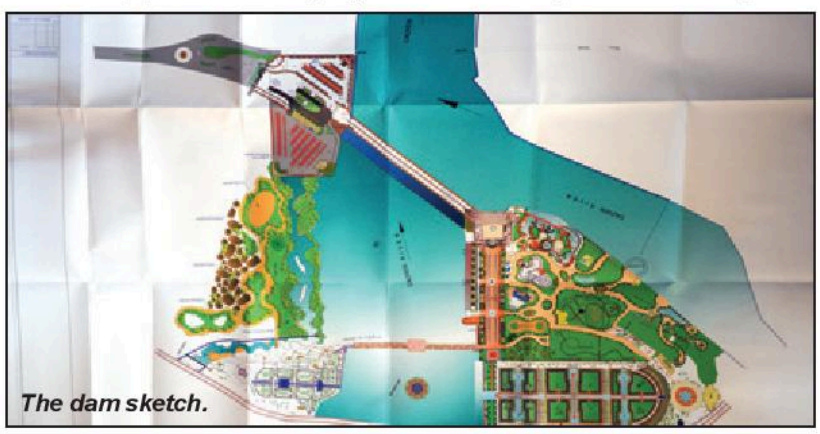
The DPR includes an information centre to assist visitors, toilets, watch towers, museum, road widening from Paper Mill Circle to Brindavan Gardens, and a four-lane dedicated road from the south and north garden for men and women and battery-operated vehicles.

The existing Mughal Gardens will have more sections including exotic plants, medicinal plants, landscaping, and there will be un-interrupted power supply on all days and for this, an exclusive power station will be set up. **Also, the facility to book online tickets will be made and a separate website will be commissioned.**

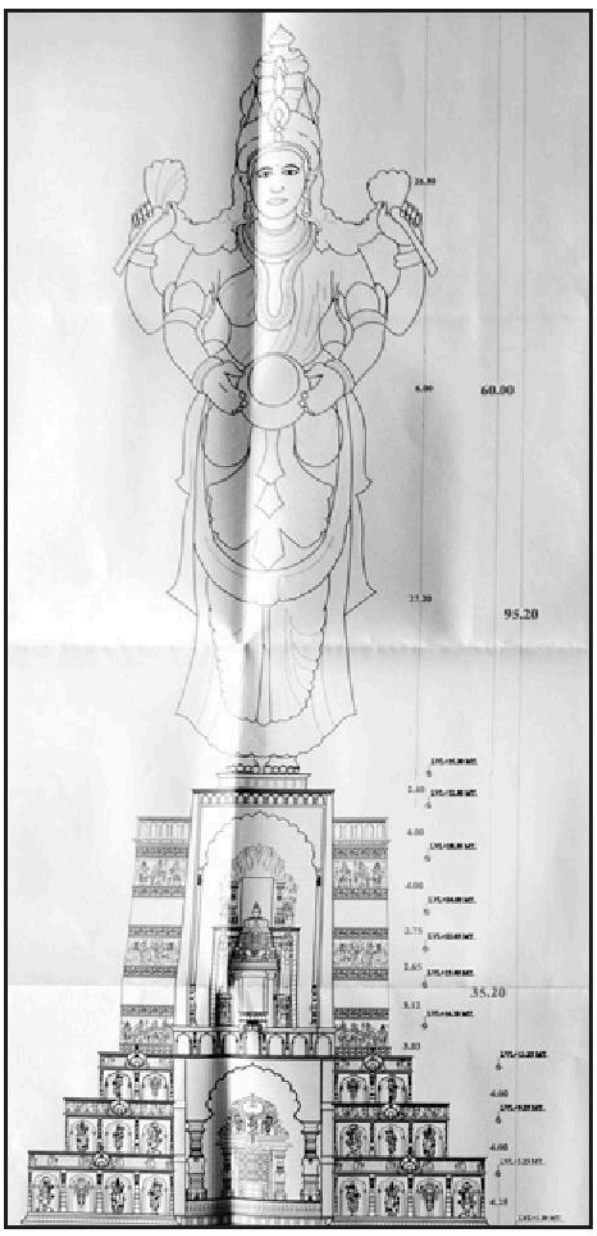
Among the main attractions mentioned in the DPR to draw more crowds is the sound, light and laser show. The history of KRS Dam will be depicted through high-definition images and music. For this, modern equipment including digital data controller, aqua screen mixing, graphic art production and best show sound performance instrument will be used. For the show, 2-D and 3-D multiple fountain system, water filtration plant, digital control fountain and multimedia equipment will be used to take the visitor to a different world of art and music.

Officials from the CNN, in a power-point presentation, have briefed Chief Minister Siddharamaiah at his home office *Krishna* on Feb. 25. The DPR has estimated the cost to be around Rs. 1,300 crore and according to sources, the CM, along with officials from the Irrigation Department and the State Chief Secretary Subhash Chandra Khuntia, watched the PPT and asked the officials to submit the proposal to the government for consideration.

Sources said that once the government clears the proposal, it will take at least two years to complete the works. **[To be continued]**



The dam sketch.



An art work of the proposed statue of Goddess Cauvery that will be built at the KRS Dam.

Free Tech Entrepreneurs meet held at CFTRI

Two new technologies released

Food Technology students taking a look at the products, brought out using CFTRI technologies, which are being displayed by scientists during the Free Tech Entrepreneurs Meet at CFTRI campus here this morning.

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (PM&KS)- The CSIR- Central Food Technological Research Institute (CFTRI) in city which had released a total of 11 proven and successful technologies free of cost by publishing detailed technology dossiers on its website in 2014, had organised a Free Tech Entrepreneurs Meet at its premises this morning.

The meet was organised for entrepreneurs who wanted to set up start-ups, to release two new technologies and to hold interaction with the participants to chalk out further roadmap.

The sessions which were held as part of the meet, provided an ideal platform for successful entrepreneurs to share their experiences, create awareness and to sensitise in the core area of food processing such as fruit and vegetable processing, bakery products, cereals, spices, food packaging and quality control.

On the occasion, two new technologies – Leg Operated Papad Making Press and Rice Milk Mix were released by CFTRI Director Prof. Ram Rajasekharan.

Addressing the participants, Prof. Ram Rajasekharan said, "getting food security was a challenging task earlier. But now we have food security and guarding the nutrition security is a major challenge now."

He said that consumption of food in the country was more in recent years, which had resulted in obesity among many and added that there was very less fibre contents in the traditional food such as idly and dosa when compared to early years. Idly and dosa can be used to overcome malnutrition among kids.

Stating that CFTRI had contributed nearly 90 per cent in Food Technology, Prof. Ram Rajasekharan said that we could convert dosa into Indian pizza by using various vegetables in it.

He called upon the participants and entrepreneurs to keep up not only Indian standard but also global standard.

Panel discussions on selected technologies (bakery products, Idli/Dosa batter, Cereals and Millets, Fruits, Vegetable and Spices) was held on the occasion.

Rajesh S. Matche, Head, Food Packing Technology, CFTRI, B.V. Sathyendra Rao, Head, TTBD, CFTRI and others were present.

'Siddu most corrupt CM in country'

BSY in city

Mysuru, Mar.2(MTY&DM)- Lashing out at Chief Minister Siddharamaiah for terming him as most corrupt and habitual liar, former Chief Minister and State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa sought to pay back the CM in his own coin, saying that Siddharamaiah was the most corrupt Chief Minister in the country.

Speaking to press persons just before taking part in the *'Shivaganaradhane'* of RSS leader M.C. Jayadev, who passed away recently, near the late RSS leader's residence on 9th cross, Ramanuja road here this morning, Yeddyurappa said that he would file a defamation suit against Siddharamaiah for making baseless charges against him.

Stating that the notings in Congress MLC K. Govindaraju's diary has totally exposed Congress' corruption, the State BJP Chief said that he would take the diary issue to its logical end.

Claiming that he was not the one to be scared by the CM's move to rake up old cases against him (BSY), Yeddy demanded that BJP MLC Lehar Singh Diary and Congress MLC K. Govindaraju's Diary cases be handed over to the CBI for investigation.

Asserting that the State Cabinet's reported decision to keep off Govindaraju from administrative matters in itself was proof that Govindaraju's diary expose had brought shivers to the Congress leaders, Yeddyurappa demanded sacking of K.J. George and all other Cabinet Ministers who had received bribe in Bengaluru Steel Bridge contract. *[The contract has been cancelled according to today's reports]*

When asked about the number of leaders from other parties willing to join BJP, Yeddyurappa said that all those who accept the party's ideology are welcome.

The State BJP Chief said that he was confident that BJP's vision of 'Mission-150' will be certainly realised in 2018 Assembly polls and added that senior JD(S) leader Parimala Nagappa would join the party at the convention to take place at MM Hills on Mar.16.

MP Pratap Simha, former Ministers S.A. Ramdas, C.H. Vijayashankar and M. Shivanna, Deputy Mayor Rathna Lakshman, City BJP President Dr.B.H. Manjunath, Sriram Sena Chief Pramod Muthalik, BJP leaders H.V. Rajeev, Jogi Manju and others were present.

Royal family members witness *Kalasha* re-installation

at Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple

Srirangapatna, Mar. 2- The Rajagopura of Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple at Srirangapatna was adorned with new five gold-plated 'Kalashas' yesterday, after a four-year delay. The re-installation ceremony was conducted amidst traditional chanting of hymns accompanied by musical instruments.

The 'Kalashas' were reinstalled between the auspicious hours of 9.52 am and 10.32 am and the ceremonies were led by Abhinava Vageesha Brahmatantra Swatantra Swamiji of Parakala Mutt, who performed the Kumbhabhishekam.

The temple was built during the reign of the Ganga dynasty in the 9th century. A 30-kg 'Kalasha' had fallen from the 'Gopura' in 2013. Subsequently, the remaining four Kalashas were also removed from the tower.

Members of the erstwhile royal family Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar and Trishikha Devi Wadiyar, MLAs Ramesh Bandisiddegowda and N. Cheluvarayaswamy, astrologer Bhanu Prakash Sharma and others witnessed the ceremony.

On the occasion, special pujas were held for the presiding deity. Melukote Yatiraja Mutt's Paramahamsa Yadugiri Yatiraja Jeeyar supervised the event.

Speaking after the ceremony, Yaduveer said that the long-pending 'Kalasha' installation ceremony was realised finally and said that the royal family prayed for the well-being of the people. Pramoda Devi Wadiyar said that the 'Kalashas' have added to the beauty of the temple.

The Kalashas have been made with donations from philanthropists. Around 300 gms of gold has been used for the plating. The project was completed under the supervision of officials from Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). Mandya DC S. Ziyaullah, Additional DC B.R. Poornima, Assistant Commissioner R. Yashoda, philanthropist Kunal, Rajarajeshwari Group's Shanmugham, Cheluvarayaswamy's wife Dhanalakshmi and others were present.

New Chief Fire Officer takes charge

Regional Fire Officer Eshwar Naik (second from right) is seen greeting Yunus Ali Kauser (extreme right), who took charge as the Chief Fire Officer in city this morning as District Fire Officer K.P. Gururaj and other officers look on.

Teachers sensitised on POCSO Act

District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Member Mohammed Muzeerullah is seen lighting the lamp to inaugurate the workshop on Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO) in city this morning as DDPI H.R. Basappa, Child Development Committee President Sheela Khare, District TB Officer Dr. Suvarna, Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep, SP Ravi D. Channannavar, Dy.SP Vikram Amte and others look on. Picture right show a section of teachers attending the workshop.

Mysuru, Mar.2- Awareness on sexual harassment most important for children under the age of 14 years, said District Legal Services Authority (DLSA) Member Mohammed Muzeerullah, here this morning.

He was speaking after inaugurating the one-day workshop on Protection of Children from Sexual Offences Act (POCSO) Act 2012, jointly organised by District Police and Department of Public Instruction for teachers at Nirmala Convent here.

"In the recent years, cases of sexual harassment on children is on the rise. The POCSO Act clearly states that the students below 14 years must be apprised about the sexual harassment which is not an easy task. Teachers, who spend maximum time with students, must take up the job of creating awareness," he added.

Muzeerullah also said that incidents such as sexual harassment on children must be brought to the notice of the Police failing which is also an offence.

"The culprits in such cases must be booked and brought to justice. The Police must book an FIR as soon as they receive a complaint on sexual harassment. Victims of such crimes must be brought to hospital for medical examination and the accused should be produced before the Court within 24 hours of filing an FIR," he said.

He further said that in case of delay in filing the FIR, the victim's family can drop the complaint at the complaint box in Police Stations and submit a copy to DLSA which will help in initiating action against the accused.

Speaking on the occasion, Child Development Committee President Sheela Khare urged teachers and the general public to inform the authorities about such cases by contacting Child Helpline 1098.

She added that people can also complain about child marriage, child labour and other atrocities on children.

Trade Licence Adalat

250 applications received for renewal till 12 noon on second day today

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (SP&KS)- The day-2 of the three-day Trade Licence renewal campaign launched by the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) at Dufferin Clock Tower yesterday, received 250 applications for Trade License renewal till 12 pm today.

The MCC had launched widespread campaign in business areas such as Shivarampet, Santhepet, Sayyaji Rao Road, Makkaji Chowk and other surrounding areas, to sensitise the traders on having Trade License.

Mayor M.J. Ravi Kumar, who launched the campaign yesterday, distributed the licenses to businesspersons coming under MCC Ward No. 6.

Speaking after launching the Trade License renewal campaign, the Mayor said that handbills on the campaign were distributed to commercial establishments on Vinoba Road, Sayyaji Rao Road and places around Old Bank Road and added that traders need not run from one place to another to get their Trade Licenses renewed and can get it done at one place during the three-day campaign.

Meanwhile, MCC Public Relation Officer (PRO) M.V. Sudha said that 84 traders got their Trade License renewed yesterday and Rs. 7 lakh has been collected as fees. She further said that those seeking fresh Trade License can collect the applications and licenses would be issued after spot inspection. The drive concludes on Mar.3.

Sports meet for women

Mysuru, Mar.2 - The Department of Women and Child Welfare will be conducting sports meet for women as a part of International Women's Day celebrations on Mar. 3 at Chamundi Vihar Stadium from 9.30 am.

Women working in various government department in the district, elected representatives, stree shakthi members, women self-help group members can take part in the meet. For details, call Ph: 0821-2567940 or 2495432.

Workshop on cashless transaction

Mysuru, Mar.2- Department of PG Studies in Economics, Maharani's Arts College in association with SBM, Shivarampet Branch, will be conducting a one-day workshop on cashless transaction at the College premises tomorrow at 10.30 am. SBM Zonal Office AGM K.P. Mahadeva Kumar will inaugurate.

MUDA review meet

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Minister Roshan Baig also enquired regarding the implementation of projects announced in the previous Budget, projects to be announced in this year's Budget and also about the funds utilised during the previous financial year.

MUDA Officials also briefed him about the development works undertaken by MUDA which includes the construction of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Bhavan, road development works undertaken from *Star of Mysore* Office Junction to Ring Road in Bannimantap, works at Bal Bhavan and Torchlight Parade Grounds, Hale Unduvadi Drinking Water Projects and others.

Roshan Baig will also inspect the works at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Bhavan, Bannimantap Torchlight Parade Grounds and other works taken up by MUDA. Later, he will hold a meeting at Mysuru City Corporation before heading back to Bengaluru.

MLAs M.K. Somashekar and Vasu, MUDA Chairman D. Dhruvakumar, MUDA Commissioner Dr. M. Mahesh, MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, MUDA Secretary M.K. Savitha, Town Planning Member M.C. Shashikumar, Superintending Engineer M. Shivakumar, Zonal Assistant Commissioners and others were present.

'Globe trotting helps in enhancing knowledge'

Noted cine Director Nagathihalli Chandrashekar addressing the students at Mahajana First Grade College in Jayalakshmipuram here this morning.

Mysuru, Mar.2 (RKB&DM)- Maintaining that globe trotting will help one to enhance his/her knowledge, noted cine Director Nagathihalli Chandrashekar said that those with much travel experience will become intellectually richer.

He was speaking at a special lecture on '*Alemaariyobbana Loka Grahikeya Kathanakagalu*' organised by Kannada Department of Mahajana First Grade College at the College premises in Jayalakshmipuram here this morning.

Underlining the need for a planned life, Nagathihalli Chandrashekar said that although reading gives one sort of experience, travel gives a whole lot of another experience.

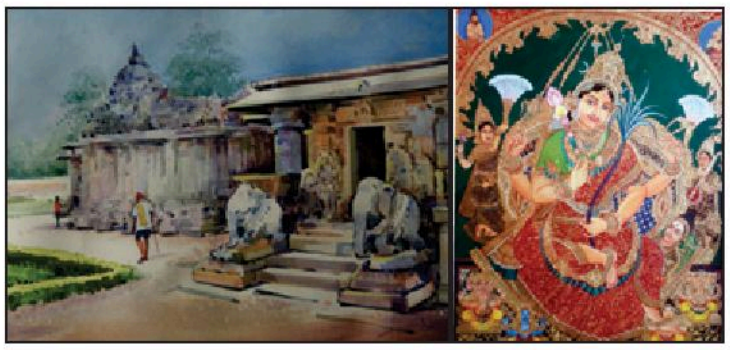
Asserting that money alone does not make one rich, he pointed out that the experiences gained while travelling will make one internally richer as the traveller comes in contact with a lot of persons from different cultures and diversities.

He further said that travel experiences will make one to understand the world much better, while also gaining an in-depth knowledge about the geographical characteristics of the world.

College Principal Prof. K.V. Prabhakara and others were present during the programme.

3-day Kalavruksha art exhibition in city from tomorrow

Chandrakanth *Shivakumar*



Mysuru, Mar.2 (VNS) - City artists R. Shivakumar and K.B. Chandrakanth will be displaying their art works during the three-day art exhibition 'Kalavrushka' starting from tomorrow (Mar. 3) at Suchitra Art Gallery in Kalamandira organised by Tripura in association with Ramsons Kala Pratishtana.

The exhibition will be inaugurated by H. Channappa, Assistant Director, Department of Kannada and Culture at 6 pm. Artist R.K. Padmanabha, Ramsons Kala Prathistana Secretary R.G. Singh, artists Namgyal and Premanandi will be present.

The art works will be on display between 5 pm and 9 pm every day. Along with Shivakumar and Chandrakanth, artists S. Gowripriya, C.R. Apoorva, Sahitya Ramesh and S. Balasubramanyam will also exhibit their works.

Artist R. Shivakumar is a graduate from Ravi Verma Art Institute in Mysuru and has also completed Bachelor of Fine Arts from Dharwad University. Later, he worked as a lecturer at the institute for three years before assisting artist Priya Selvakumar in her research on Mysuru Traditional Painting. Shivakumar also worked at Doraiswamy Vidya Kula in KRS before starting his career as freelance artist.

Shivakumar has received a number of awards including Dr. Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan Award-2011 by Lions Club of Mysore Maharaja, State Level Ravi Verma Academy Trust Award-2015-16 and District YouthAward-2016 among others.

Another artist K.B. Chandrakanth, a native of Arasikere in Hassan, is a BFA graduate from Dharwad University. He is currently working as an Art Teacher at Kendriya Vidyalaya in Hassan.

Chandrakanth has attended national level camp and also camps conducted by Karnataka Chithrakala Parishat. His art works are still on display in Department of Tourism, Hassan; Shanthivana Trust, Dharmasthala and Brahmakumari Ishwariya Vishwa Vidyalaya at Mt. Abu.

He has received many awards from Mysuru Dasara Committee, Shanthivana Trust, Dharmasthala; Spandana Kala Parishat, Gadag, Department of Tourism, Hassan among others.

'Arpane-2017' by *Krishne* at Ganabharathi on Mar. 4

Mysuru, Mar. 2- 'Arpane-2017,' a cultural evening in memory of Centenarian late H.S. Suryanarayana at Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, on Mar. 4 at 6 pm.

Krishne, the dance school is presenting 'ARPANE 2017,' a cultural evening in memory of Centenarian late H.S. Suryanarayana at Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Ganabharathi, Kuvempunagar, on Mar. 4 at 6 pm.

Former Rangayana Director H. Janardhana will be the guest of honour.

Guruvandana will be offered to Nandini Eswer, Director, Raasavrunda School of Dance, Mysuru. The evening shall be slated with 'Nartana Anubhava' — A traditional Bharatanatyam recital by Vidu. Dimple and team, Mysuru.

Krishne is a voluntary cultural organisation striving to promote and conserve the grandeur of Indian Art and Culture. Apart from providing a platform for Indian Classical dance, it is also working towards the spread of both performing and visual art.

Krishne now takes the responsibility to enrich Indian art by promoting it among the needy and underprivileged people and wishes to do more of such socio-cultural activities in future too.

Samathento to stage play tomorrow

Mysuru, Mar. 2- City's amateur theatre group Samathento will be staging the play *'Jeevayana: Ondu Sthree Sambrahma'* as a part of its Golden Jubilee Year Celebration at Vanaranga from 7 pm onwards tomorrow (Mar.3). The play is directed by well-known Bengali Theatre Director Manish Mithra.

The play is a unique experiment which celebrates womanhood. Jayadeep Sinha has composed music for the play.

Actors Rameshwari Verma, Siri Papushree, Annanya Nayar, Neela, Indira Nayar, Jayashree Hegde, Neema, M.S. Archana Bhat, C. Harshini, Aishwarya Murthy, G.J. Mary Acharya, R. Samragni and others will be on stage.

Sri Purandara Dasa, Thyagaraja and Kanakadasa Aaradhana Mahotsava

Vainika Vidwan to be feted on Mar. 5

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (RS)- **Vainika Vidwan R.K. Raghavan** will be felicitated by Kalabharathi, cultural of Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB), Mysuru, during the Aaradhana Mahotsava of Sri Purandaradasa, Saint Thyagaraja and Sri Kanakadasa, organised at its Prof. Y. T. Thathachari auditorium on Mar. 5 at 10 am.

N. Ramanuja, Chairman, BVB, Bengaluru, will be the chief guest. Dr. A.V. Narasimha Murthy, Chairman of BVB, Mysuru, will preside.

On the occasion, Vidu. Dharitri Ananda Rao and team will render Saint Thyagaraja's 'Pancharathna Kritis' and 'Devaranamas.'

Profile

Vid. R.K. Raghavan is the son of great *Vainik Praveen* and Asthana Vidwan R.S. Keshava Murthy, who was also his Guru.

Vid. Raghavan, a MA & B.Ed degree holder, has given many Veena concerts both in India and abroad. He has earned many titles such as *Vainik Ratna, Kala Tapasvi, Vainik Chatura, Vainik Brahma, Karnataka Vainika Ratna etc.* He is a highly graded artiste of All India Radio (AIR) and Doordarshan.

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji has blessed him as *'Asthana Vidwan'* and Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji conferred him with the title 'Sangeetha Vidyanidhi.'

For details, contact Mob: 90710-37254 or Ph: 2412141.

Special talk on 'Inspiration from nature'

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (KS)- A special lecture on 'Inspiration from nature: Far reaching impact of toxin research' was held at the Department of Studies in Biotechnology, Microbiology & Biochemistry, Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Education Society (PBMMES), Post Graduate Wing of SBRR Mahajana First Grade College, in city recently.

Dr. Manjunatha Kini, Professor of Biochemistry, Department of Biological Sciences, National University of Singapore, Singapore, an accomplished biochemist and world leader in the field of toxin was the resource person.

The theme of his talk was on 'Toxin to Therapeutics' with main emphasis on Snake venom, which is his area of specialisation.

He gave a bird's view about his research findings on "Venom toxicology," the novel finding from the venom as antidotes, diagnostics tools.

He inspired the students on concept of being open to learning new techniques and thus suggested that 'Nature is the best inspirer for Biomemicing'.

***Dr. Manjunatha Kini, Professor of Biochemistry, Department of Biological Sciences, National University of Singapore, Singapore, is seen inaugurating the special lecture programme at Pooja Bhagavat Memorial Mahajana Education Society (PBMMES) in city recently as** (from left) **Prof. C.K. Renukarya, Director - PG Wing, Dr. Vijayalakshmi Bhagavat, Secretary of MES, Dr. Jyoti Bala Chauhan, Head & Professor, Department of Studies in Biotechnology, Microbiology and Biochemistry and Prof. S.R. Ramesh, CEO of MES, look on.*

Dr. Vijayalakshmi Bhagavat, Secretary of MES, Prof. C.K. Renukarya, Director - PG Wing, Prof. S.R. Ramesh, CEO of MES, Dr. Jyoti Bala Chauhan, Head and Professor, Department of Studies in Biotechnology, Microbiology & Biochemistry, staff and students of Science Departments were present.

First in Abacus Contest

Mysuru, Mar. 2- **M.A. Abhishek Narayan** *(in pic)*, an 8th standard student of St. Joseph's High School in Jayalakshmipuram, has secured First Rank in State-level Abacus-10th level category-4th exam.

Last year also he had secured I Rank in 7th level.

He is the son of Umadevi and Aswath Narayan, employees at University of Mysore Printing Press.

Abhishek was felicitated at a programme organised by IQ Plus Academy at Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala in city recently.

Virat to receive prestigious Polly Umrigar Award

Virat Kohli and R. Ashwin

Mumbai, Mar. 2- Team India Captain Virat Kohli will be presented with the prestigious Polly Umrigar Award, given to the International Cricketer of the Year at the BCCI Annual Awards to be held in Bengaluru Mar. 8.

Kohli, who first received the award in 2011-12 and in 2014-15, will become the first Indian cricketer to be bestowed with the honour on three occasions.

R. Ashwin will also become the first Indian cricketer to receive the Dilip Sardesai Award twice. The all-rounder first won the award instituted to honour the best performance in the bilateral Test series between India and West Indies after being named the Man of the Series in the three-match Test series in 2011. In the four-match Test series last year, Ashwin again picked up the Man of the Series award for his outstanding show. In four Tests, he scored two centuries and picked 17 wickets including two five-wicket hauls.

The BCCI Annual Awards committee consisting of N. Ram, Ramachandra Guha and Diana Edulji had nominated Rajinder Goel and Padmakar Shivalkar for the Col. C.K. Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award.

Mumbai Cricket Association has been chosen as the State Association ofthe Season (2015-16) for winning the Ranji Trophy, the CK Nayudu Trophy and also the Women's Plate League Group. They were runner-up in the Cooch Behar Trophy, the Vijay Merchant Trophy and the Women's One-Day Elite Group.

List of BCCI annual award winners

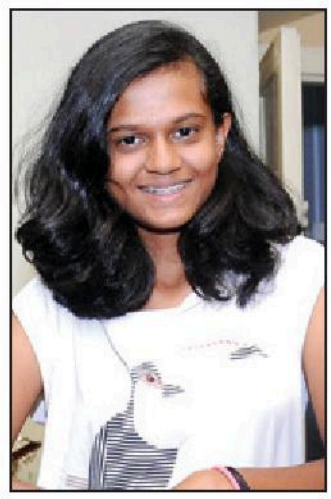
Col. CK. Nayudu Lifetime Achievement Award	:	**Rajinder Goel, Padmakar Shivalkar**
BCCI Lifetime Achievement Award for Women	:	**Shantha Rangaswamy**
BCCI Special Award	:	**V.V. Kumar, Late Ramakant Desai**
Polly Umrigar Award	:	**Virat Kohli**
Dilip Sardesai Award (For India's best cricketer in the West Indies series 2016)	:	**R. Ashwin**
Lala Amarnath Award for the Best All-rounder in the Ranji Trophy 2015-16	:	**Jalaj Saxena of Madhya Pradesh**
Lala Amarnath Award for Best All-rounder in Domestic Limited-overs Competitions, 2015-16	:	**Axar Patel of Gujarat**
Madavrao Scindin Award (Highest scorer in the Ranji Trophy 2015-16)	:	**Shreyas Iyer of Mumbai**
Madavrao Scindin Award (Highest wicket-taker in the Ranji Trophy 2015-16)	:	**Shahbaz Nadeem of Jharkhand**
M.A. Chidambaram Trophy (Highest scorer in (U-23) Col. CK. Nayudu Trophy 2015-16	:	**Jay. G. Bista of Mumbai**
M.A. Chidambaram Trophy (Highest wicket-taker in U-23 Col. CK. Nayudu Trophy 2015-16	:	**Satyajeet Bachhav of Maharashtra**
NKP Salve Award (Highest scorer in (U-19) Cooch Behar Trophy in 2015-16)	:	**Arman Jaffer of Mumbai**
NKP Salve Award (Highest wicket-taker in (U-19) Cooch Behar Trophy in 2015-16)	:	**Ninad Rathva of Baroda**
Raj Singh Dungarpur Award (Highest scorer in (U-16) Vijay Merchant Trophy in 2015-16)	:	**Abhishek Sharma of Punjab**
Raj Singh Dungarpur Award (Highest wicket-taker in U-16 Vijay Merchant Trophy in 2015-16)	:	**Abhishek Sharma of Punjab**
Jagmohan Dalmiyra Award (Best Woman Cricketer (Sr.) of 2015-16)	:	**Mithali Raj of Railways**
Jagmohan Dalmiyra Award (Best Woman cricketer (Jr.) of 2015-16)	:	**Deepti Sharma of Uttar Pradesh**
Best Umpire in Domestic cricket in 2015-16	:	**Nitin Menon**
Best performance in BCCI Domestic tournaments of 2015-16	:	**Mumbai Cricket Association**

KSCA Mysuru Zone Inter-collegiate Cricket Tournament

Mysuru, Mar.2- Karnataka State Cricket Association, Mysuru Zone, will be conducting the Inter- collegiate Cricket Tournament -2017 for colleges affiliated to University of Mysuru later this month.

The colleges can collect the entry forms from KSCA Mysuru Office, SDNRW Stadium, Manasagangotri Mar.3 onwards by paying an amount of Rs.500 as Entry fee. Last date for entry is Mar.10. The tournament will be of 30 overs a side. For further information contact S. Balachandar, Convener, KSCA, Mysore Zone Ph: 0821-2519900.

City's Pranavi Urs selected for Indian team



Mysuru, Mar.2- Mysuru's upcoming golfer Pranavi S. Urs, a eighth standard student of National Public School, Mysuru and a product of JWGC, Mysuru, representing Karnataka in the National selection trials for the Indian National Ladies Amateur Golf Team at Delhi Golf Course and Noida Golf Course on Sunday, finished overall second in the trials and earned selection to the Indian National Ladies Amateur Golf Team. Pranavi returned with total aggregate six day score of 451 (76+77+71) at the Delhi Golf Course and (74+78+75) at the Noida Golf Course.

Pranavi S. Urs has been selected to represent the Indian Ladies Amateur Golf Team in the Malaysian Open and Asia Pacific Queen Sirkit Cup which will be held in China from May 7-13, 2017.

ISSF World Cup

Jitu Rai wins gold

Jitu Rai (centre) posing with his gold medal.

New Delhi, Mar. 2 - India won their first gold medal at the ISSF World Cup in New Delhi after pistol shooter Jitu Rai clinched the top position in the 50m men's air pistol event yesterday. This was his second medal in two days after he won the bronze medal in the 10m pistol event on Tuesday.

The silver medal also went to India as Amanpreet Singh took the second position after shooting a total of 226.9. The bronze medal went to Iran's Vahid Golkhandan who shot a total score of 208 points. Jitu has now won nine World Cup medals including two this year and this last year.

He had also qualified for the Rio Olympics but finished eighth in the finals.

Last year, Jitu won two World Cup medals and one in the World Cup Final, an event where the 10 best shooters around the world take part. Amanpreet was in his maiden final at a World Cup.

India's medal tally at this ISSF World Cup in New Delhi stands at five with Pooja Ghatkar winning bronze medal on first medal for India. Ankur Mittal added silver in the douple trap event.

Selected for Badminton Tournament

S.G. Prabhu *Sunil Gladson* *Sanjay*

Mysuru, Mar.2- Karnataka Badminton Association Vice-President S.G. Prabhu, Sunil Gladson and Sanjay have been selected to represent the State in the 41st National Badminton Championship being held in Cochin from March 1 to 6, according to a press release from Association President B.V. Srinivas.

Entries invited for State-level Classical Music Contest

Mysuru, Mar. 2- Surabhi Gaanakala Mandira is hosting a State-level Classical Music competition on Mar. 26 at Alwar Kala Bhavan in Gokulam.

Contests will be held in Junior (12-18 years) and Senior (19-25 years) categories. There will be prizes of Rs.3,000, Rs.2,000 and Rs.1,000 for Junior category and Rs.5,000, Rs.3,000, Rs.2000 and the title 'Naada Surabhi' for Senior category. Those who are participating in the Senior category, have to send a self-sung CD comprising a Kruti, Raaga, Neraval and Kalpanasvara, not exceeding 30 minutes, before Mar. 10. The last date for registration for Junior category has been extended upto Mar. 15.

For registration and the rules of the contest, contact Meera Manjunath on Mob: 94806-38815 or Lalitha Srinivasan on 96635-82045.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

Train No.	Name	Dep.Mys	Arr.B'lore	DepB'lore	Arr.Mys
22818/22817	Mysore-Howrah Weekly Exp.	12.30 am (Mon)	03.00 am (Mon)	01.00 am (Sun)	03.45 am (Sun)
16217/16218	Mysore-Sainagar Shirdi Weekly Express	05.10 am (Mon)	07.55 am (Mon)	03.30 am (Thu)	06.00am (Thu)
56231/56232	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	05.50 am	09.00 am	09.20 am	12.50 pm
16215/16216	Chamundi Express	06.45 am	09.30 am	06.15 pm	09.05 pm
12578/12577	Mysore-Dharbanga Weekly Exp.	07.20 am (Sat)	09.55 am (Sat)	08.55 pm (Thu)	11.30pm(Thu)
16229/16230	Mysore-Varanasi Bi-weekly Exp.	07.20 am (Tue & Thu)	11.50 am (Varanasi) (Thu & Sat)	09.50 pm (Varanasi) (Thu & Sat)	02.50 am (Sun & Tue)
16023/16024	Mysore-Yesvantpur Malgudi Exp.	08.20 am	11.10 am	01.30 pm	04.15 pm
56281/56282	Chamarajnagar-Bangalore Passenger	08.45 am	12.00 noon	03.30 pm	06.35 pm
12975/12976	Jaipur Express (super fast)	10.20 am (Thursdays & Saturdays)	12.50 pm	01.00 pm (Wednesday & Friday)	03.45 pm

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12613/12614	Tipu Express (super fast)	11.15 am	01.45 pm	03.00 pm	05.30 pm
17307/17308	Mysore-Bagalkot Basava Exp.	01.30 pm	04.40 pm	11.15 am	01.50 pm
12008/12007	Shatabdi-Express (except Wednesdays)	02.15 pm	04.15 pm	11.00 am	01.00 pm
16557/16558	Mysore-Bangalore Rajya Rani Express	02.30 pm	05.10 pm	10.30 am	01.15 pm
56237/56238	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	02.45 pm	06.00 pm	07.00 pm	10.20 pm
16232/16231	Mysore-Mayiladuthurai Express	03.30 pm	06.30 pm	06.00 am	08.40 am
16535/16536	Mysore-Solapur Golgumbaz Exp.	04.00 pm	07.10 pm	08.05 am	11.00 am
56213/56214	Tirupati Fast Passenger	05.00 pm	08.15 pm	07.30 am	10.30 am
16236/16235	MysoreTuticorn Express	06.00 pm	09.00 pm	07.00 am	9.45 am
16210/16209	Mysore-AjmerMysore Express	06.30 pm (Tuesdays & Thursdays)	09.30 pm	02.45 am (Sundays & Tuesdays)	06.00 am
16592/16591	Mysore-Hubli Hampi Exp.	07.00 pm	09.50 pm	06.30 am	09.15 am
56234/56233	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	07.10 pm	10.25 pm	05.00 am	08.30 am
22681/22682	Mysore-Chennai Weekly SF Exp	08.10 pm (Wed)	10.45 pm (Wed)	05.40am (Fri)	8.20am(Fri)
16022/16021	Cauvery Express (to Chennai)	08.30 pm	11.25 pm	04.10 am	06.50 am
56263/56264	Mysore-Bangalore Passenger	11.55 pm	04.00 am	11.55 pm	04.00 am

TOWARDS NANJANGUD /CHAMARAJNAGAR (Passengers)

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56206/56205	Mysore-Nanjangud	09.00 am	09.50 am(N'gud)	10.15 am(N'gud)	11.10 am
56202/56281	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	05.00 am	06.40 am	06.55 am	08.45 am
56204/56203	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	07.20 am	09.10 am	10.40 am	12.25 pm
56214/56213	Tirupati-Chamarajanagar	10.30 am	12.30 pm	03.00 pm	04.45 pm
56210/56209	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	12.30 pm	02.15 pm	06.00pm	07.50 pm
56208/56207	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	02.50 pm	04.40 pm	04.55 pm	06.35 pm
56282/56201	Mysore-Chamarajanagar	06.45 pm	08.35 pm	08.50 pm	10.30 pm

TOWARDS HASSAN/ ARSIKERE

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11036/11035	Mysore-Dadar Sharavathi Express	06.15 am (Sunday)	09.10 am	06.10 pm	09.40 pm (Friday)
56266/56265	Mysore-Arsikere Passenger	07.15 am	11.10 am	05.30 pm	9.25 pm
56270/56269	Mysore-Shimoga Town Passenger	10.20 am	01.45 pm	12.35 pm	04.30 pm
56216/56215	Mysore-Shravanabelagola Daily Passenger	11.25 am	03.15 pm (S'bgla)	03.35 pm (S'bgla)	07.25 pm
56268/56267	Mysore-Arsikere Passenger	06.20 pm	10.30 pm	05.00 am	09.25 am
12781/12782	Mysore-Nizamuddin (New Delhi) Swarna Jayanthi Superfast Weekly Express	08.10 pm	11.15 pm (Friday)	01.35 am	04.55 am (Wed.)
17301/17302	Mysore-Dharwad Express	10.30 pm	01.40 am	03.05 am	07.00 am

		Dep.Mys	Arr. Shimoga	Dep.Shimoga	Arr.Mys
16206/16205	Mysore-Talaguppa Express	05.50 am	10.50 am	04.50 pm	10.15 pm
56276/56275	Mysore-Shimoga Passenger	01.10 pm	07.40 pm	07.50 am	02.30 pm
07301/06228	Mysore-Shimoga Express	10.30 pm	04.45 am	10.30 pm	07.00 am

TOWARDS Bangalore Mangalore

		Dep.	Arr.
16523/17	MysoreKarwar/Kannur Express	11.30 pm (Mys.)	2.00 pm (Kar)
16524/18	Karwar/KannurMysore Express	02.40 pm (Kar)	5.15 am (Mys) 5.30 am leaves for Bangalore

[The train reaches Kannur at 11.35 am and departs at 4.30 pm]

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1) Booking Office, Mysore Railway Station; 2) Tejaswi Enterprises, # 115, opposite Thaponandana Park, Panchamanthra Road, Kuvempunagar, Mysore570 023 (Ph: 2341111); 3) Ravitheja Enterprises #514 Bharath Mansion, New Kalidasa Road, Vijayanagar 1st stage, Mysore (08214256789).

For battery operated vehicle facility call Mob: 97316-18884

NOTE: Computerised Advanced Reservation facility is also available at Sri Ganapati Sachchidananda Ashram Post Office (Ph: 0821 2417311) and Siddarthanagar Post Office (Ph: 0821 2417335), Sharma Services, Keerthi Plaza, Chamundipuram, Mysore Ph: 08214289032. Railway timetable is published in *Star of Mysore* every Thursday.

MHLC-109 conducts Cookery Show

Mysuru, Mar. 2- Mysore Heritage Ladies Circle-109 (MHLC-109) conducted a Cookery Show for Charity with a difference at *Silent Shores Resorts and Spa* in city recently.

'Cook Italy,' an Italian cuisine demonstration was given amidst a gathering of about 300 ladies.

Chef Karishma, Jr. Sous and certified Italian Chef from Four Seasons, USA, demonstrated seven recipes.

The Show had lots of spot games and prizes for the ladies which kept the event interesting throughout.

Funds raised from the Show will be used for charity projects taken up by MHLC-109.

The event was inaugurated by Arpita Simha, wife of MP Pratap Simha and Akshaya Shenoy, MD, *Silent Shores*.

A section of audience at the Cookery Show conducted by MHLC-109 at Silent Shores Resorts and Spa in city recently.

Rotary Mysore distributes Artificial Limbs

Rtn. M.T. Ramachandra is seen handing over an artificial limb to one of the beneficiaries as Rotary Mysore President (2016-17) Rtn. M.R. Rajaram, Rtn. Sunil Kumar, Rtn. Manjesh Kumar and others look on.

Mysuru, Mar. 2- Rotary Mysore, to commemorate the 112th year of Rotary International, had organised a Artificial Limb Camp at Rotary Centre on JLB Road in city recently through its Rotary Artificial Limb Centre.

Rotary Mysore President (2016-17) Rtn. M.R. Rajaram, Secretary Rtn. Abbas Vagh (Decorative Laminates, Mysuru), Rtn. M.T. Ramachandra, Rtn. Sunil Kumar, Rtn. Manjesh Kumar and others were present.

On the occasion, a total of 37 artificial limbs were given free of cost to the needy beneficiaries.

Rotary Mysore will give away total of 150 Artificial Limbs to needy by the end of May 2017.

Till date, Rotary Mysore has given away more than 7,000 limbs to the needy beneficiaries free of cost.

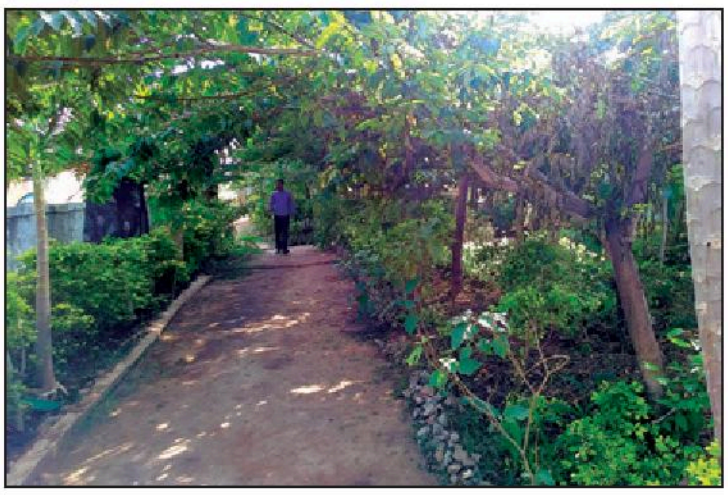
Govt. Primary School wins
accolades for promoting greenery
'Parisara Mithra' at Manchegowdanahalli

By Rajkumar Bhavasar

At the time when Government and other organisations are working towards increasing the lung space in both rural and urban areas, here is a Government Lower Primary School located in a tiny village called Manchegowdanahalli in H.D. Kote taluk, Mysuru, which has set an example for the other Schools to follow.

This School in the village, dominated by Jenu Kuruba community, has a total of 18 students from Class 1 to Class 5. The students, who have keen interest in greenery, grow vegetables, green leaves, fruits and others at the school premises which are used for preparing mid-day meals.

Students grow radish, brinjal, ladies finger, ridge gourd, beans, drumsticks and other vegetables. This apart, the students also grow fruits such as papaya, guava, pomegranate, banana and other fruits in the School premises.



The students have adopted organic farming in which they use earth worms to create natural manure for cultivation. They visit the school even on holidays to keep a check on plants. The school, which started in a small house, now functions on a bigger plot. It is because of the efforts of Head Master B.M. Manjunath, who started to work as a lone teacher during 2003-04, that the school has seen the development.

Every day the school welcomes the students through its green walkway which motivates the students to concentration on what is taught in the school. Entire, school premises is covered with lush green which has been providing clean air for the students and the teachers to breath.

The wet wastes generated at School is used as organic manure. There are several compost pits which are dug in the school premises where the waste are stored to prepare the manure.

Recognising the school's achievement in promoting greenery, the District Administration presented the 'Parisara Mithra Shale' award for the year 2016-17 during a programme organised to mark the National Science Day celebrations at the KSOU premises on Tuesday.

Awareness campaign against honking launched

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (SP&DM)- In order to sensitise the public on following traffic and road safety rules and to avoid unnecessary honking, Young Indians (Yi), a youth chapter of the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in association with Rotary Mysore, launched an awareness campaign in the city yesterday.

City Police Commissioner Dr. A. Subrahmanyeswara Rao inaugurated the campaign at Maharani's College bus stop.

Speaking on the occasion, Dr. A.S. Rao said that the initiative was aimed at reducing noise pollution. Expressing concern over the growing noise-pollution levels in cities, the Police Commissioner appealed motorists to avoid unnecessary honking.

He also said that noise pollution, apart from hampering the functioning of our ear system, will also lead to other health issues such as BP, mental stress, change in behaviour.

An online pledge against noise pollution was also launched on the occasion. Yi Chair Ramya Bopanna, Co-Chair Akshara Kumar, Members Ravi, Bharath, Nikhil, Sachin and Ankith, Rotary Mysore President Rajaram, Secretary Manjesh and Vice-President Sabareeshan were present.

Posters carrying messages such as 'Horn not OK', 'Avoid unnecessary honking', 'Follow Traffic Rules and Regulations' have been put up at almost all traffic junctions and public joints across the city as part of the campaign.

State-level Seminar on 'Green Chemistry' on Mar. 4

Mysuru, Mar. 2- The Departments of Chemistry and Biochemistry (UG) of St. Philomena's College (Autonomous), Mysuru, have jointly organised a one-day State-level Seminar on 'Green Chemistry for Sustainable Future' at the College auditorium on Mar. 4.

The Seminar will be inaugurated by Prof. Syed Akheel Ahmed, former Dean, Faculty of Science and Technology, University of Mysore and Vice-Chancellor, Yenepoya University, at 9.30 am. He will also deliver the keynote address.

In the first session from 11.15 am to 12.15 pm, Dr. A.S. Prakash, Senior Scientist, CECRI, Chennai, will deliver a talk on 'Cleaner and Greener technologies for energy storage.'

This will be followed by a talk on 'Green Chemistry for the synthesis of Nanomatearials' by Dr. Dattatri K. Nagesh, Head of Department of Pharmaceutics, JSS University, Mysuru, from 12.15 pm to 1.15 pm.

Post-lunch, the third session will be held from 2 pm to 3 pm with the same speaker talking on the subject 'Biomedical applications of Green Chemistry.'

The final session of the day will be held from 3 pm to 4 pm by Dr. A.S. Prakash delivering a talk on 'Sodium Ion batteries for efficient energy storage.'

Poster presentation will be held between 10 to 3.30 pm.

Valedictory of the Seminar will be held at 4.15 pm.

The expected participants comprise UG & PG students of Chemistry and Bio-Chemistry, Research Scholars, Teaching faculty of both UG & PG from all over Karnataka.

For details, contact Noelin Renita Ross, the Organising Secretary, on Mob: 96323-88717. e-mail: *stphiloschem@gmail.com*

Drinking water problem
dominates MCC Meeting

Mayor M.J. Ravi Kumar, flanked by Dy. Mayor Rathna Lakshman and MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, at the MCC meeting on Tuesday.

Mysuru, Mar. 2 (SBD&KS)- Drinking water crisis in city rocked the MCC general meeting held at the Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar Hall in Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) premises here on Tuesday with the meeting being adjourned, as noisy scenes broke out during the meeting.

Corporator M.V. Ramprasad, who raised the issue of drinking water crisis in city, pointed out that since four months water pumps had stopped working and added that even the alternative pump was under repair.

He was soon joined by other Corporators, who asked the officials to take the issue seriously as summer had already set in. There is a need to assess whether the 60 MLD (Million Litres per Day) of water which is being lifted from Kabini River was being used judiciously and the issues should be discussed to find out solutions if there are lapses. Meanwhile, Corporator Purushotham accused the officials of being non-responsive to his enquiries and direction which was making him difficult to answer the questions put forth by the residents of his Ward.

Almost all Corporators expressed their anger against the officials claiming that the elected representatives were bearing the brunt of the people due to the apathy on the part of the officials.

The Corporators objected to the release of Rs 2 crore for the development of the road from Five Lights Circle to St Philomena's Church without bringing it to the notice of the Standing Committee on Planning.

Committee president Nadeesh Preetham said, the commissioner has the powers to sanction works up to Rs. 50 lakh. However, the officials have brought the issue to the notice of the Council directly after approving it, bypassing the committee, he pointed out. Most of the Corporators supported him.

MCC Commissioner G. Jagadeesha, who spoke, said that normal water supply would be restored from Wednesday (Mar. 1) and added that a meeting of officials concerned was held recently.

The Commissioner said that most of the defunct borewells had been repaired and initiatives have been taken to repair the water pumps. There are no arrears to be paid in connection with any water works and added that talks with the Government to dig new borewells would be held soon.

WORD OF THE DAY

Subfuscous

Pronunciation: suhb-fuhs-kuh s
Meaning: Slightly dark, dusky, or somber.
Example: This subfuscous place appeared cold and desolate.
Origin: Subfuscous entered English in the mid-1700s from the Latin subfuscus.

THE ODD WORD

Larrikin

Disorderly; rowdy; a street rowdy; hoodlum.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Catch some rays

Meaning: To sunbathe; to get some sunshine; to tan in the sun.
Example: The prince seized the opportunity to leave his chilly isle behind and catch some rays.
Origin: The origin of the phrase is unclear. However, it is known to have originated during the late 1900s.

QUOTE BOX

We can only be said to be alive in those moments when our hearts are conscious of our treasures.

—Thornton Wilder

RIDDLE THIS

What does the rebus mean?

Answer: Six feet under ground.

SUDOKU

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5			7			4	2	
8					5		1	
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4		7		9		1		6
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Answer to previous puzzle

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Priestly garment
4 Funerary bonfire
8 Small strong vehicle usually driven by oxen or horses
12 Calorie in short
13 Cut the grain crop
14 Samoan Port
15 Twenty four months? (3,5)
17 Grave or burial vault
18 American Standard for Inf. Exchg.
19 Top-notch (1,3)
21 Letters at end of page
23 Speak in low voice
27 Supplemental Type Certificate
30 Currency of Japan
32 Spill the ___ : divulge secret innocently or accidentally?
33 Gave a signal to an actor?
35 Parties
37 604 in Rome
38 Perplexed or uncertain (2,3)
40 Charles Dickens's pseudonym
42 Equal Time Point
43 Super power which was previously USSR?
45 J&K district
47 Kilometres per hour, acronym
49 "Inert" anagram for a type of fertilizer?
53 Oaf; boorish person
56 _____ Pradesh: North Indian state
58 "Information" in short?
59 Terrible Russian
60 Measure of length or twelfth letter of alphabet?
61 Cage for keeping poultry
62 Coarse stiff hair
63 Affirmative

DOWN

1 Legal doings
2 Rules enacted or customary in the country
3 Common interest group of countries
4 Ms Zinta who co-owns the Kings XI Punjab team
5 Archaic affirmative
6 __ avis: the rare mythical bird?
7 English racecourse town
8 Supplied food and drinks at a party or a function
9 Asian Productivity Org.
10 Brink of a circular object
11 Keep a __ on : keep under watch or monitor the progress of?
16 Barking sound from a pup
20 The choicest or most essential or most vital part of some idea or experience
22 Major ref. work
24 This is the emblem of the authority of the speaker of the House of Commons
25 Basis of calculation
26 Invitation words, briefly
27 Precipitous bare place on a hill-face
28 Desmond ____ : South Africa's famous archbishop?
29 Tax in an old-fashioned way?
31 Slang for a wealthy person
34 Upper side of a clerk's work table
36 Helios' Roman counterpart
39 ___ at : make it one's goal?
41 Women's quarters in Muslim households
44 "A ship" anagram for a garden pest?
46 Sound of a hiccup?
48 Bee home?
50 Third person pronoun
51 Breathing sound
52 Measures of cloth
53 Life Ins. Corp.
54 Lennon's widow Yoko ____
55 Flying Saucer?
57 A piece of thick padding up on the floor for gymnastic sports

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

P	A	S	T		E	T	T	U		A	W	E
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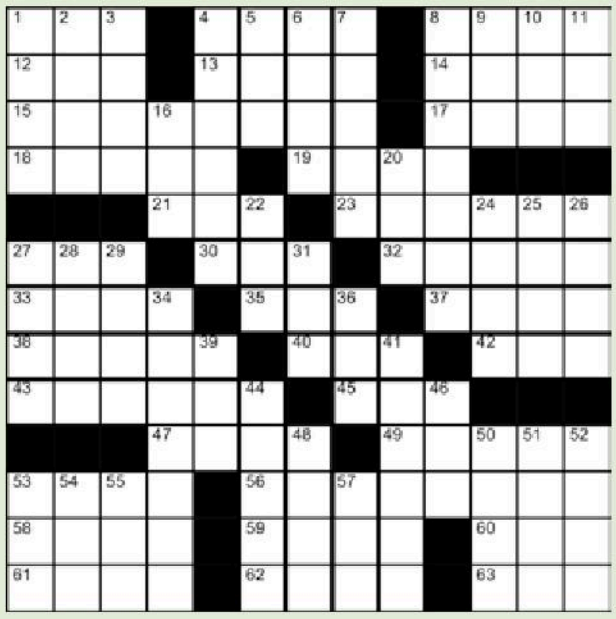

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

JPFJCP AEF OUH ZEPH OCPPJ CXWP U LULH

RORUCCH IFD'Z EUYP FDP

TODAY'S CLUE: J EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: If we were to wake up some morning and find that everyone was the same race, creed and color, we would find some other cause for prejudice by noon.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Hebbuli	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	2521923	4 Shows
Srinivasa Kalyana	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Melkote Manja	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
Chowka	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
Kirik Party	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Danger Zone	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
HINDI			
Rangoon	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
Guardians The Superheroes	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
The Dirty Picture	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Yaman	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Winner	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

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Hebbuli (K)	(S-1)	10.50 am, 1.30 pm, 4.10 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	1.15 pm, 7.00 pm
Rangoon (H)	(S-1)	6.50 pm
	(S-4)	10.05 am, 3.55 pm, 9.55 pm
Jolly LLB 2 (H)	(S-2)	4.35 pm
Chowka (K)	(S-2)	1.25 pm
Veeram Macbeth (Ma)	(S-2)	9.55 pm
The Ghazi Attack (H)	(S-2)	11.00 am, 7.20 pm
Split (E)	(S-3)	11.15 am, 9.55 pm
Yaman (Ta)	(S-3)	1.35 pm
Srinivasa Kalyana (K)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
Winner (Te)	(S-3)	7.00 pm

INOX LIVE THE MOVIE — PH: 2533444 / 2533456

Hebbuli (K)	(S-1)	1.10 pm, 7.05 pm
	(S-2)	10.00 am, 3.55 pm, 9.50 pm
Kirik Party (K)	(S-4)	4.20 pm
Rangoon (H)	(S-1)	10.05 am, 4.00 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	12.50 pm, 6.45 pm
Jolly LLB 2 (H)	(S-4)	11.00 am
Wedding Anniversary (H)	(S-3)	12.35 pm
Veeram Macbeth (Ma)	(S-4)	7.30 pm
Split (E)	(S-3)	10.10 am, 7.20 pm
Guardians The Superheroes (E)	(S-3)	2.50 pm
Yaman (Ta)	(S-4)	9.40 pm
Srinivasa Kalyana (K)	(S-4)	1.45 pm
Winner (Te)	(S-3)	9.45 pm
Ghazi (Te)	(S-3)	4.50 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON FRIDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Gandhi Smruthi, 6.50 Sponsored Prog., 7.15 Bhavageete, 8.30 Radio Doctor, 8.35 Haadiyalli Kanda Mukha, 9.15 Namma Arogya, 10.00 Vocal Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.00 Kamanabillu, 12.30 Mahila Ranga, 1.00 pm Devaranama, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.15 Hindi Film Songs, 2.35 Chinnara Chukki, 4.00 Music Recital, 5.00 Gaana, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Reshme Siri, 9.30 Hindustani Music, 10.30 Savinenapu.

TV TONIGHT

7:00 pm Kaala Teeka 7:30 Sanyukt 8:00 Zindagi Ki Mahek 8:30 Jamai Raja 9:00 Kumkum Bhagya 10:00 Woh Apna Sa 10:30 Zindagi Ki Mahek	7:00 pm Saathiya 7:30 Ye Hai Mohabbatein 8:00 PardesMeinHaiMeraDil 8:30 Chandra Nandni 9:00 Naamkarann 9:30 Yeh Rishta Kya Kehlata Hai 10:00 Ishqbaaaz	6:00 pm Kapil Sharma Show 7:30 Peshwa Bajirao 8:00 Mahabali Hanumaan 8:30 Ek Rishta Sajhedari Ka 9:00 Beyhadh 9:30 Kuch Rang Pyar Ke Aise Bhi 10:00 Peshwa Bajirao
5:00 pm Man Woman Wild 6:00 Food Factory 7:00 Man Vs. Wild 8:00 River Monsters 9:00 Running Wild With Grylls 10:00 Taking Fire 11:00 Naked and Afraid	6:00 pm Match Point 6:30 This Weeks Special 7:00 Australia Tour of India 2017 H/ls 8:00 Hockey India League 2017 H/ls 8:30 This Weeks Special 9:00 Match Point : India vs. Australia 9:30 Superstars	5:30 pm Science of Stupid 6:00 India Unlocked 7:00 Big Cat Week 8:00 Do or Die : Deadly Mudslide 8:30 Science of Stupid 9:00 India's Mega Kitchens 10:00 Man hunt : Kill To Survive 11:00 Deadly Jaws : Blood Rivals
6:00 pm Larva 6:30 Roll No. 21 7:00 Kid Krrish Mission Bhutan 8:30 Roll No. 21 9:00 Teen Titans Go 9:30 Larva	6:00 pm Keladi Kanmani 6:30 Ganga 7:30 Kula Deivam 8:00 Deiva Magal 8:30 Vamsam 9:00 Nandini 9:30 Vani Rani 10:00 Priyamanaval	6:30 pm Meenakshi Maduve 7:00 Sarayoo 7:30 Sapthamathruka 8:00 Aramane 8:30 Nandini 9:00 Ananda Bairavi

MOVIES TONIGHT

4:30 pm **Abraham Lincoln** 7:00 **Anaconda** 9:00 **Rise of the Planet of Apes** 11:30 **Ultraviolet**	4:17 pm **Spy Kids 2** 6:15 **Transformers** 9:00 **Mad Max: Fury Road** 11:19 **I Am Legend**	4:03 pm **Rock of Ages** 5:56 **Flipper** 7:28 **Ghost Ship** 9:00 **Focus**
5:58 pm **Yeh Kaisa Karz** 8:55 **Jaan Ki Baazi** 11:46 **Aaj Ka Great Gambler**	4:33 pm **The Real Tiger** 07:55 **Meaghamann** 10:57 **No.1 Businessman**	4:30 pm **Bas Ek Pal** 7:00 **Comedy Champions** 7:30 **Mbkakm**
4:04 pm **Johnny English** 6:00 **Fast & Furious** 8:23 **Spider-Man** 11:00 **Spider-Man 3**	4:00 pm **Inspector Vikram** 7:00 **Hrudayavantha** 10:00 **Thavarina Thottilu**	3:35 pm **Aatish** 7:00 **De Dana Dan** 10:40 **Godzilla**

Overall Championship in Yoga

With a team of 39 students, JSS Public School, Siddarthanagar, won Overall Championship Trophy in the State-level Open Yoga Competition conducted by Guru Sai Yoga Foundation. The prize winners are seen with Principal B. Latha, Vice-Principal R. Sudha and Yoga Teacher R. Shailaja.

EVENTS TODAY (MAR.2)

Children's Literary Club: Talk on 'Circles In Mysuru - Part 4" by Dr. R. Purnima, Government Girls Hostel, Adi Pampa Road, V.V. Mohalla, **5 pm.**

Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Trust: Weekly Programme on DVG's 'Mankuthimmana Kagga' by K.S. Mukundan, Chaitanya Bhavan, Krishna Temple, Gokulam, **6 pm.**

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha: Discourse on 'Sampooma Srimadramanayana by Dr. K.S. Narayanacharya, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, **6.15 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAR.3)

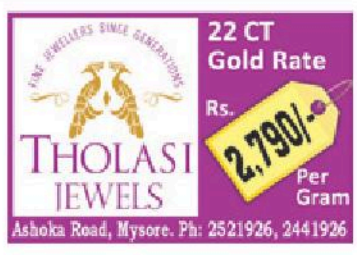
Sri Raghavendraswamy Seva Samiti: Sri Raghavendraswamy Pattabhisheka and Vardhanti, Lakshmihayagriva Mahayaga, **6.30 am;** Srisookta Homa with Lakshmi Shobhane and Kunkumarchane, Mutt premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **7.30 am.**

Department of Biotechnology, MMK & SDM Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Krishnamurthypuram: One-day National-level Conference on 'Frontiers in Biotechnology & Life Sciences,' Dr. H.S. Prakash, Chairman, DoS in Biotechnology, UoM, inaugurates, Dr. Cletus D'Souza, Professor & Chair Emeritus, Department of Biochemistry, UoM, delivers the keynote address, Prof. K.V. Damodara Gowda, Principal, presides, College premises, **10 am.**

JSS College of Pharmacy (JSSCP): One-Day Training and Workshop on 'Dissolution Science - Fundamentals and Advanced Learnings,' JSS University Director (Academics) Dr. P.A. Kushalappa chief guest, JSSCP Principal Dr. G. Parthasarathi presides, Sri Rajendra Auditorium, College premises, **10 am.**

Plant Clinic, Department of Studies in Botany, Manasagangothri: 'A Day with Farmers' workshop on 'Organic Farming,' A.H. Jayaram, Director, Green Path, Shivamogga, talks on 'Organic Farming: Prospects and Challenges,' Dr. C. Govindraju, Senior Farm Superintendent, Organic Farming Extension Centre, Naganahalli addressed on 'Crop Protection in Organic Farming' and Prof. Sathyanarayana Bhat, former Professor, Govt. Ayurveda Medical College, Mysuru, speaks on 'Organic Foods and Health,' Linnaeus Hall, **10.30 am.**

Sri Vedavidya Prasarini Sabha: Discourse on 'Sampooma Srimadramanayana by Dr. K.S. Narayanacharya, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm.**



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